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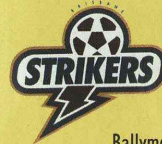
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## Coach's Comment

**It's been interesting reading and hearing opinions from the media on the demise of the Socceroos last Monday week.**

They've all had their say on all kinds of topics ranging from team selection and tactics to the intricacies of Australian soccer politics.

Some have been accurate (in my view), some quite humorous, some emotional and heart-felt and some just taking the mickey out of Australian soccer.

It's the latter category that I found annoying. And sadly those opinions came from people who have rarely been near a football pitch let alone played the game at any level.

Still, it was the World Cup and a chance for glory. A chance for all associated to be part of the success had it been forthcoming. It wasn't so lets have a go at soccer instead.

How could a country of three million beat a great sporting nation of 18 million? They asked.

Did you know that Mark Schwarzer has the worst stats of all the Premier League goalkeepers they said?

Or that Farina should have brought in Ned Zelic at sweeper for the matches. Although that last one was fed to the journo from someone within the game with an axe to grind.

My point is that all these knowledgeable scribes and television "talking heads" that always have plenty to say every time there's an important sporting event, all in the main having never kicked, caught or hit any type of ball at a half decent level should maybe just say "bad luck" and leave the opinions to someone more qualified!

However, I must say that Mike Colman's piece in the Sunday Mail was as succinct as it was insightful.

According to Mike we didn't qualify because we don't have a football culture and Uruguay does.

True enough. He also discussed the difficult qualifying process we have to endure at FIFA's whim.

Why? Because in the grand scheme of the world game Australia doesn't rate.

We simply do not have the economic or political clout for FIFA to give us worthy consideration, despite the fact we are probably as good as half the nations that will compete in next year's finals.

That's why it is imperative that we get our house in order domestically so we can begin to nurture that "football culture" that is so important to the game's growth and development!

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## Pele: Brazil lacks teamwork

**Soccer legend Pele has stunned his native Brazil by declaring his country can't be considered a 2002 World Cup contender because it lacks teamwork and its recent performances were poor.**

"If I had to say now who will emerge on top I could not mention Brazil," Pele said.

Pele, 60, was a member of three World Cup-winning teams with Brazil and scored 1,283 goals in a career spanning over 20 years.

"Brazil has played very badly. We have good players but no team work," he said.

Brazil uncharacteristically scraped in as one of the top four South American nations to automatically qualify for the 2002 World Cup.

Pele said Argentina - who easily topped South American qualifying - and world

champions France were the main favourites of the 2002 tournament in Japan and Korea, with England and Italy close behind.

Pele said other teams to watch included Germany - "an old power to be reckoned with" - and Japan.

"Unfortunately, and I think this is bad for the game, Holland has not qualified - they have always played a good and open game," he said.

Meanwhile Pele has pledged he would repay \$US700,000 (\$A1.35 million) meant for UNICEF but allegedly pocketed by his sports marketing firm.

"Even if I have to take money out of my own pocket, I will do it," he said.

"I have contacted UNICEF, which understands my position and is on my side."



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# Win over Wolves is a must

**Reigning champion Wollongong Wolves hope to be boosted tonight for their vital clash against the Parmalat Strikers with the return of captain George Souris and attacking midfielder Alex Castro.**

The match looms as a highly dangerous one for the Strikers with the Wolves winning only one game and drawing two from eight appearances.

The visitors had a bye last weekend but it hasn't stopped coach Ron Corry from experimenting with his side against State League clubs after their latest 2-1 loss to Olympic Sharks.

After posting their only win of the campaign in round seven against Sydney United, the Wolves were outclassed by the Sharks on a sandy Toyota Park last match.

Wollongong has not recovered from the loss of Scott Chipperfield, Matt Horsley and Saso Petrovski but the club remains confident Corry can turn the season around.

Corry has had two weeks to try and find a solution to his side's terrible start to their title defence.

The visitors also are expecting to lose youngster Paul Reid who has joined the long list of player's trialling with English soccer clubs.

Reid has linked up with Bolton Wanderers but will return to the Wolves if he fails to make the grade.

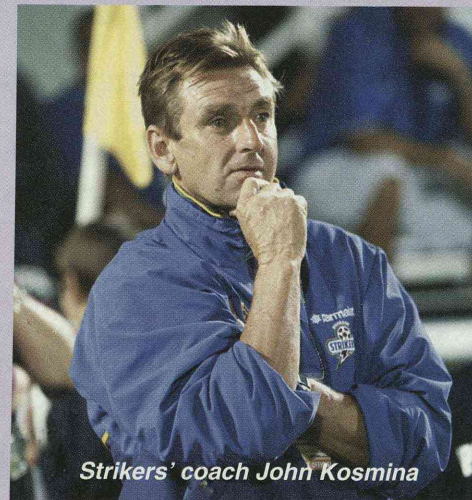
At time of writing it was unsure whether Reid would be available for tonight's clash.

However, a likely Reid loss will be more than offset by the impending return of Castro and Souris who should provide a boost for the flagging club.

The Wolves have struggled in the scoring department this season with only six goals while the defence hasn't coped with the added pressure by conceding 15 times.

However, Corry is hopeful their striking partnership of Stuart Young and Tony Perinich will soon click.

Coach John Kosmina also was far from happy with the Strikers' hard fought 1-nil win over a 10-man Olympic at home last Saturday.



*Strikers' coach John Kosmina*

"At the end of the day we got the three points. We grafted and did our job," Kosmina said.

"But there wasn't a lot of cohesion and I think we defended too deep and gave Olympic too much room."

Kosmina believes the Wollongong game is a "must-win" match for the Parmalat Strikers.

"We're third and have a game in hand over Northern Spirit and Newcastle and we need to win our games at home."

Kosmina believes the mooted changes Corry is tipped to make will give the Wolves extra solidity in defence.

"Reid is a good player and on his day is very dangerous but I think he'll probably be overseas," he said.

"He was on his game the night Wollongong beat us 4-2 at home last season."

Wollongong also beat the Strikers 2-1 at home but Kosmina won't be looking for a repeat of the last Ballymore clash.

"We led them 2-1 at home before Nick Meredith got sent off in the first half and they swamped us after the break," he said.

"When we played them in Wollongong it was a game we could have won as we had enough chances to put them away before halftime."



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## Brett Emerton apologises

**Socceroo striker Mark Viduka admits his international career is up in the air following Australia's failure to qualify for the 2002 World Cup in Japan and Korea.**

Viduka said he would turn his attention to Leeds United's assault on the English Premier League after Australia lost its second leg World Cup qualifier 3-0 to Uruguay in Montevideo.

"I don't know if I'm going to back up after this," Viduka told a Sydney newspaper after the defeat.

"It's exhausting, mentally exhausting.

"Yeah, I'll probably go back to concentrating on club football.

"I was planning on making the World Cup and all the hype around that, but it's not to be."

Viduka criticised Australia's tough World Cup qualification process but said Uruguay was a worthy winner.

"The whole two game thing just kills us. We have such an unfair route to qualify," he said.

"I mean, they've lost about 10 games in their group and we've lost one but we're out."

Australian captain Paul Okon said the scoreline flattered the hosts.

"I don't think there were three goals in the game, and if there were three goals some of them should have been for us," he said.

"It's the hardest result I've had to deal with."

Australia goalkeeper Mark Schwarzer was more blunt in his assessment.

"In the two years since I've been involved, this was probably our worst performance," he said.

"You can blame whoever you want but, at the end of the day, we just didn't perform.

"We conceded two very soft goals and that killed us. We didn't deserve to go through. That doesn't mean it isn't hard to take."

Socceroos Stan Lazaridis and Tony Vidmar

- who cried openly as he left the field after the 3-0 loss - held off on talk of retirement after the game.

"Hopefully next time we'll have a better qualifying process - direct qualification or going through Asia," Vidmar said.

"Every time we miss out, it makes you want to do it more. I don't see why I should retire from the national team."

Socceroo Brett Emerton apologised to the Socceroo fans.

"The fans have been fantastic to us. We knew how much reaching the World Cup meant to people and we feel terrible about it," Emerton said.

"We feel worse for the people back home than we do for ourselves - this has gone straight to the heart."

Emerton admitted it was hard to block out the 65,000-strong Montevideo crowd during the crucial second leg World Cup playoff.

"I've never experienced anything like that...it didn't happen for us but that's not to say we didn't give it everything because we did," he said.

"We were all on a high after the first leg (won 1-0 by Australia) and we expected nothing less than to go through to Japan and Korea."



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## Farina a popular choice

**A legion of former coaching greats of Australian soccer has backed former Brisbane Strikers coach Frank Farina to stay at the helm of the Socceroos for the next World Cup campaign.**

Rale Rasic, the only coach to guide Australia into the World Cup, former Socceroo coach Eddie Thomson, Zoran Matic, the most experienced NSL coach and Ron Corry, boss of national champions Wollongong, all believe Farina should stay on.

Thomson believes Farina will learn from the World Cup disaster and is the man to mould Australia into a powerful team.

Rasic said he would have adopted different tactics than Farina in last week's heartbreaking loss to Uruguay but it didn't stop him from calling for Farina's retention.

Rasic, who masterminded Australia's only World Cup finals berth in 1974, defended Farina but said he would have been more defensive in protecting the Socceroos' 1-0 advantage going into the second leg against Uruguay in Montevideo.

"I've been in this very tight situation, I would have played very defensive," Rasic said.

"But I am not critical, I'm a great admirer of Frank Farina.

"At one nil, I would have defended. I think that's the way to do it, you could not open the game because the off-field factors were very important," he said.

Rasic also said he was puzzled as to why Leeds star midfielder Harry Kewell was not played on the left flank for the full 90 minutes instead of up front.

But Rasic said the team had done Australia proud and Farina should be re-appointed Australian coach for another shot at the World Cup in 2005.

"I think Frank Farina should stay on. He will be four years older and four years wiser next time... you'll have a mature coach," he said.

Thomson said Farina would learn

immensely from the experience and get better.

"He achieved some great results against Hungary, Scotland and in the Confederations Cup against Brazil and France over the past two years and he had them well organised," Thomson said.

"The World Cup qualifiers, however, are the ones that count and it all came unstuck with the planning on the away trip to Uruguay."

Thomson is concerned at what he calls a lack of international experience within Soccer Australia.

Wolves coach Ron Corry said Soccer Australia should also hand Farina control of the Olympic team and the national under-20 side.

"The nucleus of the next World Cup squad will come from this crop of players," said Corry.

Matic, who once was touted as a possible national coach, is another Farina supporter.

"What happened in Montevideo is heartbreaking for everyone but he (Farina) gave it his best shot," Matic said.

Farina is expected to make a decision on his future any day but many believe he'll stay on despite lucrative offers from Europe and Japan.

Farina has delivered some astonishing results during his two years at the helm, notably victories over France and Brazil at the Confederations Cup in June and a 2-0 win over Scotland at Hampden Park a year ago.

He has extensive experience in Europe as a player, and has fielded offers from two Italian Serie B clubs, a Japanese J-League club, as well as from teams in Belgium and Holland.





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## Socc. Aus. in better shape

**Soccer Australia's acting chief executive Ian Holmes believes bleating over the Socceroo's path to the World Cup will get it nowhere with FIFA hierarchy.**

Holmes said what Australia should be doing is to push for Oceania to be turned into a Pacific Rim Confederation which would include USA to gain direct qualification.

As soon as the Socceroos are eliminated every four years, the cry goes up that Australia has an unfair qualifying path to the World Cup finals.

"I'm not an advocate of direct qualification for Oceania because it won't wash with world football," Holmes said.

"While nations like Holland and Scotland are missing out in groups in Europe, Oceania can hardly justify automatic qualification after 31-0 and 22-0 kickabouts that pass for World Cup qualifiers.

"The other solution we're constantly told to seek is to join Asia, but the bottom line is that Asia doesn't want us because our presence would threaten one of their qualifying spots," Holmes said.

"We have to find a way of strengthening Oceania and that could be going along the Pacific Rim, picking up a couple of Asian nations, possibly USA and Canada and further down the line like Chile.

"Some will say it's completely out of left-field and it would take a bit of tap dancing to pull it off, but then you have to tell me whether the current option is the preferred choice."

Failing to qualify means that \$12 million in appearance money has slipped through Soccer Australia's fingers, but contrary to the doom forecasters, Holmes believes soccer is not about to wither and die in this country.

"The financial position is that we reported a \$1.7 million loss and there is no escaping that fact," Holmes said.

"But it's not the worst position we've been

in: after the last World Cup campaign Soccer Australia reported \$3.9 million losses."

Soccer Australia chairman Ian Knop supported Holmes. Knop claimed the sport's governing body was in better shape now than after the failed World Cup campaign four years ago.

Knop admitted the game wasn't in great financial health with debts of \$2 million, but said it was far from destitute.

"We are not at panic," Knop said.

"After the last World Cup campaign we were \$4 million in debt, and we didn't know it at the time.

"This time, we're \$2 million in the red. I think we're far better off as a sport than we were four years ago.

"What we've done and achieved in the past three weeks shows what the potential we have in this game.

"This is the time when the stakeholders will unite, refocus and draw on the credibility of the game.

"It (not qualifying) will make life more difficult, but we have to be astute and husband our finances a lot better.

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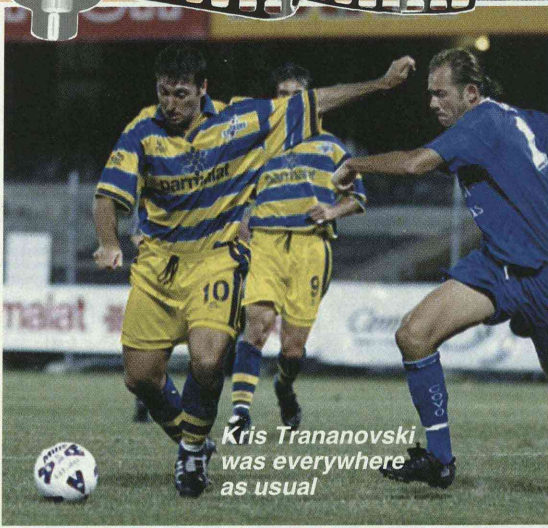
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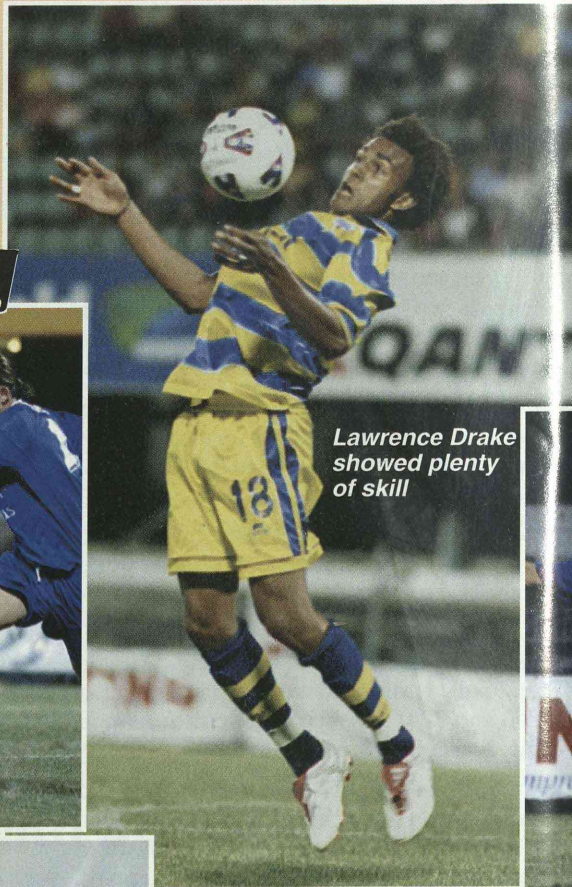
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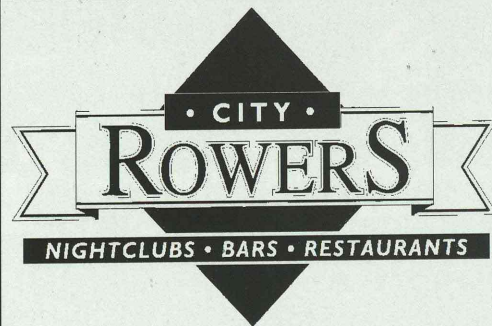
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**Former England coach and Manchester City boss Kevin Keegan believes a breakaway league featuring English elite clubs and Scottish giants Celtic and Rangers would be a disaster.**

Keegan said the formation of the two-tier league, dubbed "Phoenix" by its backers, would fail.

Both Keegan and Manchester City chairman David Bernstein fiercely oppose the idea despite suggestions that the Maine Road club would be included in the revised format.

Premier League chief Richard Scudamore last week gave cautious support for the plan that also incorporates teams from the first division.

In a British newspaper interview, Keegan scoffed at the concept.

"I don't think it should happen and I am dead against it," Keegan said.

All 72 Nationwide League chairmen were to discuss the issue this week and Keegan hopes that many of those present will share his opposition to the proposal.

"We've had a conversation about it and we'll do everything we can to support the little clubs."

Supporters of the new league claim it will help bridge the growing financial disparity that exists between premier league clubs and their first division counterparts.

However, Keegan believes the proposal is

purely motivated by greed and clubs are keen to safeguard their futures at the expense of others.

"We're talking about clubs here and the smaller ones will lose out," he said.

"I came from a small club so I know what I am talking about," Keegan said.

Meanwhile the English players' union (PFA) said its deal with soccer authorities over television revenue will be worth \$A480 million over 10 years.

Gordon Taylor, chief executive of the Professional Footballers' Association, gave details of the agreement at the union's recent annual general meeting.

"It's been well worth getting to the end of that rainbow."

The PFA had called a players' strike — which would have been the first in the history of the English game — from today in its row over the allocation of revenue from the latest television rights deal.

The threat of industrial action was averted when the Premier and Football Leagues agreed to give the union \$A144.2 million over three years.

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## From the BSSA...

Chances are that around 4.30 am on Monday, 26 November you awoke to the sound of an alarm clock.

Then, with your insides turning somersaults you staggered to your TV set and switched it on.

By 6.30 am you switched it off, the feeling in your stomach having changed to one of icy, empty despair.

The Socceroos, our game's shining path to success and widespread acceptance in this nation, had once again crashed out of the World Cup.

At times like that, being a soccer supporter in Australia can seem a futile, cursed thing to be.

Because in Australia, like few other countries, we depend on our national team to capture the attention of the public and focus it on our game.

We see the Socceroos as the means by which our game can become the runaway success we all believe it can be.

Elsewhere, nations who miss out on qualifying for the World Cup finals seek solace in their domestic competitions while they go about rebuilding for their next assault on the World Cup.

Indeed, their national leagues and the clubs in them are proudly supported as the breeding grounds, which will produce the players to restore their international fortunes.

Here, however, a different reaction occurs. Look at what happened in the four long years between Iran and Uruguay.

Our National Soccer League struggled as media and public apathy took hold.

Most NSL clubs battled just to make ends meet, let alone keep the profile of the game alive and produce the champions of tomorrow.

It should not be this way. Having watched the Socceroos stumble and fall, there is no good reason why we should retire to our lounge rooms, content merely to watch the likes of Manchester United or AC Milan battling it out

on the box.

Why? Because the likes of our own Brisbane Strikers are playing perfectly good, entertaining football in the flesh for reasonable prices, and they need and deserve our support.

Make no mistake, after the Socceroos' latest debacle the doomsayers and death-wishers are predicting disaster for our NSL and the game we love.

But they can only succeed in their worst predictions if we, the soccer public, allow them to. If we stay away from the NSL in disappointment we give them a leg up.

If we continue to support the Brisbane Strikers, and do so in larger numbers, they'll have to go away and 'bag' something else.

It's up to us, isn't it? We must dig in.

Keep supporting the Brisbane Strikers. Keep championing our sport.

In doing so we will help to make the NSL what it can and should be - a vibrant, strong competition that entertains us week in and week out while it produces the champions who will eventually take the Socceroos to the World Cup finals..... Stick with it!

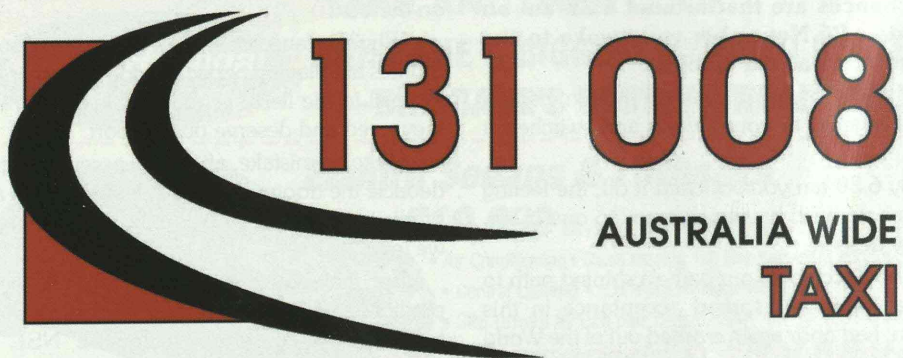
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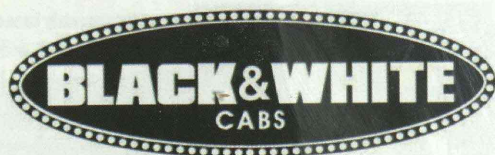
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## Beckham can't wait for 2002

David Beckham can't wait for the chance to "lay the ghost of '98" to rest when England tackle Argentina in their group of death in next year's World Cup.

England has drawn world Cup co-favourites Argentina, Nigeria and Sweden in Group F in the first ever finals in Asia.

"As a footballer you always want to test yourself against the best and there is no question that this is a highly competitive group," Beckham said.

"They (Argentina, Sweden and Nigeria) are three very different teams with very different styles.

"Personally I can't wait for June 7 - it's a great chance to lay the ghost of '98."

England will resume where they left off from one of the most thrilling matches of the last finals in France four years ago.

Then the South Americans won on penalties after the two sides were level at 2-2 after extra-time in the second round after Beckham was sent off.

It was the third sensational encounter between the two countries in World Cup finals. England beat Argentina 1-0 in the quarter-finals in 1966 on its way to winning the trophy at home.

It was a bad-tempered contest in which the South Americans' captain Antonio Rattin was sent off.

In Mexico in 1986, Argentina beat England 2-1 at the same stage of the competition on its way to winning the title, this time thanks to two goals from Diego Maradona, one of them a clear handball, forever dubbed the "Hand of God", the other one of the greatest goals ever scored in the finals.

Holders France, joint favourites for the title with Argentina, plays the opening match of the tournament on May 31 in Seoul against Senegal, appearing in the finals for the first time. Uruguay and Denmark complete Group A.

China, also making its debut in the finals and expecting to bring up to 100,000 fans to South Korea, plays in Group C with four-time winner Brazil and also Turkey and Costa Rica.

The two host nations both have chances of progressing into the second round.

The South Koreans are seeded in Group D where they play Poland, Portugal and the United States.

Japan plays in Group H with Belgium, Russia and Tunisia.

The top two teams from the eight groups of four go into the second round where the knockout phase of the competition starts.

The final will be played in Yokohama, Japan, on June 30. Germany, three times winner, has a relatively easy looking Group E with Saudi Arabia, Ireland and Cameroon while Italy will probably not complain about meeting Ecuador, Croatia and Mexico in Group G.

Spain is seeded in Group B to play Slovenia, Paraguay and South Africa but the focus will inevitably be on Group F which looks by far the strongest.

Argentina and England will play each other in their second match in Group F in Sapporo, Japan, on June 7.

### Draw for the 2002 World Cup Finals

#### Group A:

France, Senegal, Uruguay, Denmark.

#### Group B:

Spain, Slovenia, Paraguay, South Africa.

#### Group C:

Brazil, Turkey, China, Costa Rica.

#### Group D:

South Korea, Poland, United States, Portugal

#### Group E:

Germany, Saudi Arabia, Ireland, Cameroon.

#### Group F:

Argentina, Nigeria, England, Sweden.

#### Group G:

Italy, Ecuador, Croatia, Mexico.

#### Group H:

Japan, Belgium, Russia, Tunisia.



# Kris Trajanovski

Date Of Birth: 19/02/72  
 Birthplace: Geelong  
 Age: 29  
 Ethnic Origin: Macedonian  
 Position: Striker, Midfield  
 Nickname: "Traja"  
 Marital Status: married  
 Occupation: Professional footballer  
 Left/Right footed: both  
 Eye Colour: hazel  
 Hair Colour: brown  
 Height: 178cm  
 Weight: 78kg  
 What brand of boots: Adidas  
 What age first played: 6yrs  
 Junior Clubs: Geelong S C



Major injuries: ankle  
 Career Highlight: representing Australia  
 National Rep honours: Socceros, Under 20 youth team  
 Past Clubs: Marconi, Syd Olympic, Adel City, Preston  
 Overseas experience: Johor FC South China  
 Number of seasons with Strikers: First  
 Biggest achievement to date: not working  
 Ambition: Win NSL Grand final  
 Favourite Actor: Robert De Niro  
 Favourite Movies: Casino, Gladiator, Gone in 60 Seconds  
 Favourite comedian: Jim Carrey  
 Favourite band/singer: Pearl Jam  
 Favourite food: Curry  
 Favourite TV show: Sopranos  
 Favourite TV character: Tony Soprano  
 Most watched sports program: On The Ball  
 Favourite overseas player: Ruud Van Nistleroy  
 Favourite overseas team: Roma  
 Most admired overseas-based Austrn: Kevin Muscat  
 Most admired home based Austrn: Royce Brownlie  
 Most admired defender: Dominic Longo  
 Most admired midfielder: Milan Blagevic  
 Most admired striker: Paul Trimboli  
 Most admired goalkeeper: David Achevski  
 Most admired sports person: Gary Ablett  
 Major influences: Parents, Ron Smith, David Ratcliffe

## BRISBANE STRIKERS 2001/2002

Player Statistics	Opponents		F-A	Player Statistics																Appearances	Goals								
	Date	Opponents		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Fri 5/10	Rnd 1	Kingz FC	H	2-1	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sun 14/10	Rnd 2	Sydney United	A	3-1	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sun 20/10	Rnd 3	Bye			▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 27/10	Rnd 4	Melbourne Knights	A	2-0	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 3/11	Rnd 5	Northern Spirit	H	1-1	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 9/11	Rnd 6	Parramatta Power	A	2-1	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 17/11	Rnd 7	Newcastle United	H	1-2	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Wed 21/11	Rnd 8	Adelaide City Force	A	1-1	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 1/12	Rnd 9	Olympic Sharks	H	1-0	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 8/12	Rnd 10	Wollongong Wolves	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 14/12	Rnd 11	South Melbourne	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 22/12	Rnd 12	Marconi Stallions	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 5/1	Rnd 13	Perth Glory	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 11/1	Rnd 14	Kingz FC	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 19/1	Rnd 15	Sydney United	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 25/1	Rnd 16	Bye			▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 2/2	Rnd 17	Melbourne Knights	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 8/2	Rnd 18	Northern Spirit	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 16/2	Rnd 19	Parramatta Power	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 22/2	Rnd 20	Newcastle United	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 2/3	Rnd 21	Adelaide City Force	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 9/3	Rnd 22	Olympic Sharks	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Fri 15/3	Rnd 23	Wollongong Wolves	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sun 23/3	Rnd 24	South Melbourne	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sat 30/3	Rnd 25	Marconi Stallions	A		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Sun 7/4	Rnd 26	Perth Glory	H		▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
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Legend: ▲ = Played - S = Substitute - ○ = Non playing substitute - ◆ = Own goal in scoreline - ■ = Yellow card - ■ = Red card



# PARMALAT BRISBANE STRIKERS NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE DRAW 2001 - 2002

Round	Date	Opposition	Time/Venue
10	Sat Dec 8	Wollongong Wolves	7pm - Ballymore
11	Sun Dec 16	South Melbourne	7.30pm - Bob Jane Stadium
12	Sat Dec 22	Marconi Stallions	7pm - Ballymore
13	Sat Jan 5	Perth Glory	7pm - Perth Oval
14	Fri Jan 11	Kingz FC	7.30pm - Ericsson Stadium
15	Sat Jan 19	Sydney United	7pm - Ballymore
16	Fri Jan 25	Bye	
17	Sat Feb 2	Melbourne Knights	7pm - Ballymore
18	Fri Feb 8	Northern Spirit	7.30pm - North Sydney Oval
19	Sat Feb 16	Parramatta Power	7pm - Ballymore
20	Fri Feb 22	Newcastle United	7.30pm - Marathon Stadium
21	Sat Mar 2	Adelaide City Force	7pm - Ballymore
22	Sat Mar 9	Olympic Sharks	7.30pm - Toyota Pk Cronulla
23	Fri Mar 15	Wollongong Wolves	7.30pm - WIN Stadium
24	Sat Mar 23	South Melbourne	7pm - Ballymore
25	Sat Mar 30	Marconi Stallions	7pm - Marconi Stadium
26	Sun Apr 7	Perth Glory	3pm - Ballymore



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# 2001/2002 NSL

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## BRISBANE STRIKERS

- 1 Jason Kearton
- 2 Richie Alagich
- 3 Shane Stefanutto
- 4 Jon McKain
- 5 Stuart McLaren (c)
- 6 Peter Grierson
- 7 Fernando Rech
- 8 Adam Webber
- 9 Paul Foster
- 10 Kris Trajanovski
- 11 John Carbone
- 12 David Pilic
- 13 Wayne Heath
- 14 Daniel Dreger
- 15 Matthew McKay
- 16 Ronnie McQuilter
- 17 Michael Baird
- 18 Lawrence Drake
- 20 Corey Baldock
- 30 Nathan Coe
- Coach - John Kosmina

## WOLLONGONG WOLVES

- 1 Dean Anastasiadis
- 2 George Souris (c)
- 3 Alvin Ceccoli
- 4 Robert Stanton
- 5 David Cervinski
- 6 Alex Castro
- 7 Paul Reid
- 8 Max Nicholson
- 9 Zelko Babic
- 10 Stuart Young
- 11 Naum Sekulovski
- 12 Liam Austin
- 13 Con Anthopoulos
- 14 Buddy Farah
- 15 David Huxley
- 17 Ben Blake
- 18 Darren McDonald
- 19 Tony Perinich
- 20 Grant Barlow
- 23 Dino Mennillo
- 25 Greg Sharland
- Coach - Ron Corry



# EYE ON STRIKERS Tables

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Perth Glory	8	8	0	0	22	5	24
Newcastle United	9	5	4	0	12	6	19
<b>STRIKERS</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>
Northern Spirit	9	4	3	2	13	12	15
Olympic Sharks	8	4	1	3	9	6	13
Parramatta Power	9	3	2	4	10	12	11
Melbourne Knights	9	3	1	5	7	12	10
Marconi Stallions	8	2	3	3	10	11	9
Adelaide City Force	8	1	4	3	10	10	7
South Melbourne	8	2	1	5	5	8	7
Sydney United	8	2	1	5	7	11	7
Kingz FC	8	1	2	5	13	22	5
Wollongong Wolves	8	1	2	5	6	15	5

## NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE (Nth Div)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aust. Inst. Sport	9	9	0	0	29	5	26
Sydney United Youth	9	7	1	1	24	5	22
Parramatta Power Youth	9	6	0	3	32	11	18
Wollongong Wolves	8	6	0	2	19	11	18
Newcastle United Youth	9	6	0	3	14	12	18
Marconi Stallions Youth	9	5	0	4	15	9	15
ACT Academy	8	5	0	3	18	16	15
QAS	8	4	2	2	15	12	14
NSW Inst of Sport	10	3	0	7	11	26	9
Northern Spirit Youth	9	2	2	5	16	21	8
Brisbane Toro	9	2	0	7	11	30	6
Olympic Sharks Youth	8	1	2	5	6	14	5
Sydney United Colts	10	1	2	7	7	27	5
Marconi Stallions Colts	9	0	1	8	5	23	1

### OTHER ROUND 10 NATIONAL LEAGUE MATCHES

Fri 7 Dec	Adelaide City Force v Marconi Stallions
Fri 7 Dec	Newcastle United v Perth Glory
Fri 7 Dec	Northern Spirit v Sydney United
Sat 8 Dec	Olympic Sharks v South Melbourne
Sat 8 Dec	Parramatta Power v Kingz FC
	Bye - Melbourne Knights

### ROUND 11 NATIONAL LEAGUE MATCHES

Fri 14 Dec	South Melbourne v <b>STRIKERS</b>
Fri 14 Dec	Kingz FC v Newcastle United
Sat 15 Dec	Perth Glory v Adelaide City Force
Sat 15 Dec	Marconi Stallions v Olympic Sharks
Sun 16 Dec	Sydney United v Parramatta Power
Tue 18 Dec	W'gong Wolves v Melbourne Knights
	Bye - Northern Spirit

### NATIONAL LEAGUE HOTSHOTS

Damian Mori	Perth Glory	9
Bobby Despotovski	Perth Glory	6
<b>Paul Foster</b>	<b>Brisbane Strikers</b>	<b>5</b>
Pablo Cordozo	Northern Spirit	4
Alex Moreira	Adelaide City Force	4
Joel Griffiths	Newcastle United	4
Esala Masi	Newcastle United	4

### Nth. youth LEAGUE HOTSHOTS

Eric Anabalon	Marconi Stallions Youth	9
Brendan Santalab	Aust Inst Sport	9
Anthony Danze	Aust Inst Sport	9
Adam Kwasnik	Parramatta Power Yth.	9
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## Wolves satisfying WIN

Wollongong Wolves' ongoing battle with Soccer Australia over their sponsorship deal with the WIN Corporation has finally taken a turn for the better.

After recently reaching an agreement the Wolves played with logos for the Campbelltown-based FM radio station C91.3 on their shirts when they lost to Olympic Sharks last month. C91.3 is owned by the WIN Corporation.

Wolves' general manager Graeme Haney said the team would wear the logo of

Wollongong-based radio station i98FM on their shirts for all home matches in addition to C91.3 for their away matches.

"Soccer Australia approved the C91.3 logos on our away shirts and they also approved us to wear i98FM logos on the home shirts."

Haney said the legal action that the club had threatened was now not as likely.

"Things seem to be progressing well at the moment, but the issue is still not completely settled," he concluded.





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