Ipswich Soccer

(1886-1899)

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Anglo Queensland Football was first played in Ipswich in the 1880's with the first recorded match being in 1886.

Blackstone and Bundanba districts were first to field teams and were followed by the Dinmore district

In the early years teams were based around mining companies. Mining and Football in Ipswich were to be linked through until the seventies.

The early mine owners like Lewis Thomas were pioneers of the game and provided land for clubs. The land mostly bush would be required to be cleared by some of the players themselves.

The mine owners would be influential in the game also becoming administrators and Club patrons.

The early teams were made up of predominately immigrants from the UK who had sailed to Australia arriving in Ipswich as early as 1850. With the second generation of these immigrants being born in Ipswich teams became home grown . The 1926 all conquering Blackstone Rovers team were all home grown players with eight from Blackstone and three from Dinmore.

In the early years whilst the grounds were not ideal this was made up for with enthusiasm for the game. Most players would work on Saturday morning mostly at the mine and then play that afternoon as no games were played on a Sunday until 1949.

Up until bus or car transport was available players would walk, run on go by horse and buggy to games. Players thought nothing of riding horseback up to 40 kilometres one way to play a game.

Teams travelling to Brisbane to play had special train carriages set aside for the trip and travelled back the next day as games were scheduled in the afternoon so players could arrive in time from Ipswich.

As a result home teams would graciously provide entertainment and meals for visiting teams.

Results of these games were not reported to the Queensland Times until days later

It would not be until the 1894 when homing pigeons were used that a result was known on the day.

Toddy Edwards Blackstone Rovers International recalled in the twenties working at the pithead, running home bathing, as no facilities existed in the mines eat if time allowed and then run from Blackstone to the north east through the borehole to Bundanba Railway Station to catch the train to Brisbane. Players were also risking there livelihoods as no compensation from employers existed and injured players had to rely on funds being raised to support them. A number of organisation assisted including the Masonic Clubs

During the war years whilst competition was suspended the Ipswich Patriotic Soccer committee headed by Alec Gibb arranged matches between collieries and services team to uphold the game in the wartime essential service and to raise funds for the war effort

The rivalry between Ipswich and Brisbane has endured the 134 years of the game in Queensland, from the *Kruger Cup and other *Intercity matches through to the administration of the game.

(*Matches won Ipswich (70) Brisbane (58) Draws 22 Venue of matches Brisbane 89,Ipswich 61)

The competition has split between Brisbane and Ipswich on a couple of occasions with the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association fiercely guarding the interests of Ipswich clubs from its inception in 1891 through until 1940 when the senior competition fell under the control of Queensland Football Association.

Throughout these times despite the decline of the Brisbane competition in the early 1900's and the split in 1930 Ipswich clubs remained a force which was shown when the competition reunited in 1937 Ipswich clubs won fifteen of the next 19 Premierships.

Ipswich also held additional competitions for Ipswich based clubs from 1891-1956 such as the Challenge and Hetherington Cups O'Callaghan Shield and Cribb and Foote Cup and other competitions for Charity

Ipswich achieved an unequalled representation of players in Queensland and Australian teams.

Ipswich had a player in the Queensland team every year a team was chosen from 1890 until 1990

In the late sixties Soccer News magazine selected their best Qld Team from 1956-1967

Nine of the eleven were from Ipswich

The team was Brian Topfer, Alwyn Warren, Alex Duncan, Norm Rule Robert Lawrie, Cliff Sander, Brian Vogler

Spencer Kitching Gordn(Bunny)Nunn,Col Kitching,Graham Mc Millan

In the period 1922 -1959 thirty eight players gained International Honours

From 1922 to 1959 there was an Ipswich player chosen to represent the country every year a National team was selected except 1928 and 1933. In one year five Ipswich players were selected.

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Ipswich also had the honour of having the first Australian captain Alec Gibb

Ipswich was home of the most Australian representatives per head of population in Australia with fifty men and four woman representing Australia

Four Ipswich players would also be inducted in to the Soccer Hall of Fame

Alec Gibb, Gordon (Bunny) Nunn, Robett Lawrie, Cliff Sander, Gary Wilkins

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Success at club level shows Ipswich has four of the top five clubs in terms of total trophies won

From 1886-1921 in the Combined Brisbane/Ipswich Competition Ipswich teams won ten of fifteen Premierships

From 1922 -1959 Ipswich teams won eighteen Division one Premierships along with nineteen Tristram and two Hilton Shield's In total from 1889 until 1958 when the movement of players to Brisbane clubs began Ipswich teams won twenty nine of the thirty eight combined Premierships including five Premierships in a row 1953-1957

Due to the player movement to Brisbane clubs it wasn't until 1979 before Ipswich once again won a trophy. Success followed in the mid eighties with Premiership and Cup Titles

This was short lived as it would be another thirty years before an Ipswich Senior team would win a title with Western Pride National Premier League champions in 2017 Ipswich did have success however in Woman's Soccer(covered in separate volume) and with Junior teams and in the Queensland Christian Soccer competition

Soccer is an important part of Ipswich's History which can be seen by the locations named after Soccer identities

- Bob Lawrie Oval Silkstone State School named after Soccer Hall of Fame member
- •Bognuda Street, Bundamba named after Mathew Bognuda, co-owner of Reliance Pottery,
- •Coalstars Bridge to recognise women's soccer
- Eric Evans Reserve Bundamba a tribute to Secretary and Life member of Coalstars
- Gledson st Booval named after David Gledson (Attorney General of Qld) and player from Bundamba Rangers
- Hudson Street, Dinmore, named after Joseph Hudson who was administrator and owned the Hudson Pottery
- •Kath Chandler Field, Raceview Kath Chandler was a Life member of the Queensland Christian Soccer Association.
- •Kearton Lane Ripley named after Coalstars player Jason Kearton who represented Australia
- •Lindsay Street, Bundamba named after the Lindsay Brothers who started Braeside Colliery and were original team Bundamba Rovers
- •*Evan Marginson Park named after Blackstone Rovers, Rosebells and Booval Stars player
- •Norm Rule fields Silkstone named after Norm who represented Australia
- Shelley Street, Brassall, named after Sam Shelley Blackstone Rovers and Qld player
- •Shenton House named after International Clarence Shenton
- Stan McCrea Field, Ebbw Vale, named after Stan McCrea Life member of St Helens
- •Stafford St Booval named after the Stafford brothers founders of Whitwood FC William was President of West Moreton Football With the expansion of the city in to new suburbs twelve clubs (5 Senior and seven Junior) were operating in 2020 As a result Ipswich Soccer future looks bright



| Year | Event | Comments |
|-------|---|---|
| 1817 | William Kennedy is born in Norfolk England | William is the Licensee of the Racehorse Hotel and first President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association |
| 1844 | Michael Jeffrey is born in Lanark Scotland William Stafford is born in Yorkshire England and arrives in Australia in 1865 He was the Owner of the Whitwood Collieries | Michael immigrates from Lanarkshire in 1870 on the SS Indus.Michael is a future Dinmore Bush Rats President. Five sons and Grandson played for Dinmore Bush Rats Alexander, Joseph, William, Robert, Jack He is elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1892 |
| 10.17 | David Campbell is born | The extended Campbell family has twenty playing soccer in Ipswich |
| 1845 | Reverand Andrew Horan is born in Kildare Ireland | Andrew Horan is President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1894 |
| 1850 | Thomas Verrall arrives in Australia Thomas Burns arrives in Australia | Thomas has five sons and also Grandsons and Great Grandsons play in Ipswich including Qld Representatives Arthur and John. He was killed in 1908 at the Rhonda Coal mine Thomas Burns has three sons and ten Grandchildren play. Two Grandchildren play for Queensland |
| | William Joseph Lynch arrives from County Wrexford Ireland at age 12. | William is President of Dinmore Bushrats from 1895-1904 He was founding member of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association and President from 1895-1898 |
| 1851 | Thomas Sharp is born in Roxlurh Scotland | Thomas is elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1913 |
| 1855 | Tom(Old Sport)Barker born Adam and Louise Perrett arrive in Australia from England | Tom Barker, aka T.J. Barker, aka 'Old Sport' and "Red Gum" as a journalist reported on cricket and football Tom coached the 1895 Dinmore Bush Rats Premiers. Tom wrote extensively on soccer for 35 years Tom was in the first Qld team in 1890 He was an Administrator and was involved in the creation of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1891 The Perrett family were involved in the administration of Soccer and several family members also involved |
| 1856 | William Lynch arrives in Australia from Ireland David Frankland is born in Yorkshire and is the first player born to play for Dinmore Bush Rats | William becomes an administrator and was a founding member of the Ipswich Association. He becomes President of Dinmore Bush Rats and is the first Headmaster at Dinmore School |
| 1858 | David and Rachel Nunn arrive in Australia David Frankland is the first player born who will play for Dinmore Bush Rats | Their property Nunn's Paddock is used for early games. They have sons and Grandsons and Great Grandsons play in Ipswich, including Internationals Eric and Gordon(Bunny) and Qld Representative Cec |
| 1859 | James Tedman arrives in Australia from England | James has four sons play for Dinmore Bush Rats. George became a Member of Parliament. The Tedman Cup is donated for lower division competition |
| 1864 | James Lindsay is born and is the first born that plays with Bundanba Rangers | |
| 1865 | William Cantle is born in Bristol England. George Shelley is born in Staffordshire England | William he Licensee of the Racehorse Hotel and President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1909-1910. He donated Silver Badges for the Premiership winners. He is also president of Booval Stars. George will become the first Captain of Queensland in 1890 |

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| 1867 | William Henry is born, He serves in WW1.He plays for Blackstone Rovers | |
| 1868 | William Jones (Bill Harry) is born | William played for Blackstone Rovers and was one of the founders of Dinmore Bush Rats |
| 1870 | Samuel Shelley is born in Staffordshire England | He will Captain Queensland in 1898 |
| 1872 | Joseph Kitching is born | Joseph plays for Bundanba Rangers, Royals, Reliance, Blackstone Rovers and represented Ipswich six times from 1903-1912. Joe played until he was 49 He has four sons play Joseph Charles "Cedrick" George Redvers (Fat) Leonard Ross (Possum) David Reginald William Edgar This is the start of the Kitching soccer Dynasty |
| 1873 | Alexander Stewart is born in Scotland | Alexander is a future President and Patron of Dinmore Bush Rats.He will captain Bush Rats for nine years. |
| 1874 | Thomas Halls arrives in Australia from Ireland Joseph, George and the two Williams Hudson arrive in Australia | Thomas has seven children play for Blackstone Rovers with Les playing for Australia Joseph and George and Matthew Bognuda started the Reliance pipe works Joseph played in the first ever match in 1886 for Bundanba Rovers/Three sons and four grandchildren play |
| | Charles Gerhmann (1874-1959) who will play for Ipswich Rovers serves in the Boer War John Potts is born | Charles Gerhmann is Commander of No. 2 Company 5th Contingent Queensland Imperial Bushmen Served: Transvaal, Orange River and Cape Colony in the Boer War John is elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1914. John is also Vice President and Secretary of Dinmore Bush Rats. |
| | Adam (Cockburn) Kitching is born | Adam plays for Bundanba Rangers and has four sons play. Joseph, John (Jacko) Adam, Harold |
| 1875 | George Marsh represents Queensland in 1898 is born George Tapp is born He serves in WW1. E.G Morgan arrives in | George plays for Blackstone Rovers and Bundanba Rangers Australia EG Morgan becomes President of the Ipswich Football |
| 1876 | Michael Egan (1876-1967)who will play for Dinmore Bush Rats serves in the Boer War Arthur Gedge is born in Wolverhampton England William Woolley is born | Michael serves in the 5th Contingent Queensland Imperial Bushmen in the Boer War Arthur is elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1911 The Woolley family are involved in Blackstone Rovers as players and administrators. William had eight sons, seven played for Qld |
| 1877 | David McMurdo is born. He serves in WW1.He plays for Bundanba Athletic | |
| 1878 | George Seymour (1878-1952) who will play for Bundamba Rangers serves in the Boer War Frederick Elson is born | George served in the First Contingent Queensland Mounted Infantry in the Boer War Frederick is elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1922 |
| 1879 | David Lilley (1879-1951) who will play for Dinmore Bush Rats serves in the Boer War Robert Kemp is born in Stirlingshire Scotland | David is Born in Manchester and serves in 5th Contingent Queensland Imperial Bushmen in the Boer War Robert is elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1919 |
| 1881 | William Gunn is born.He serves in WW1.He is killed at Gallipolii in 1915 | William played for Ipswich City |

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| 1882 | George Bullock is born He represents Queensland in 1912 He serves in WW1 Thomas Weller is born, He serves in WW1. Matthew Bailey arrives from England Robert and William Dobbie arrive in Australia from England | George plays for Booval Stars 1909 Blackstone Rovers, Bundanba Rangers, Ipswich City Thomas plays for St Stephens and Ipswich City. He represents Ipswich in 1913 and 1914 Matthew was involved in the formation of Dinmore Bush Rats and a member of the 1890 team and future President He is also President of Dinmore Wanderers. He was also on team Management in Qld teams and was selector for the 1898 Queensland side The Dobbie's are administrators with Blackstone Rovers and the Ipswich Association. Three family members play for Qld and Grandson Gordon (Bunny) Nunn plays for Australia and is Hall of fame member |
| 1883 | Harold Hincks is born, He serves in WW1.He plays for Railways Joseph and Lillias Kitching left Scotland in 1882 arriving in Australia from Berwickshire on the $2^{\rm nd}$ January 1883 | The extended Kitching family will play two hundred and sixty one representative matches There are four Australian seven Queensland and twelve Ipswich representatives |
| 1884 | Arthur Verrall (1884-1965) is born and will play for Queensland in 1912 Burnett Everding is born, Tom Wade is born The First Meeting of The Anglo-Queensland Football Association is held at the Australian Hotel in Brisbane William Duck arrives in Australia George Bullock is born Arthur Verrall is born | To plays for St Helens, Dinmore Bush Rats, Dinmore Wanderers, Bundanba Rangers Burnett serves in WW1. He plays for Bundanba Rangers Tom represents Queensland in 1913 and 1915. He serves in WW1 William is the first captain of Dinmore Bush Rats George represented Queensland in 1912 Arthur represents Queensland in 1912-1913 |
| 1885 | George Burrows is born he represents Queensland in 1913 He serves in WW1 William Dawes arrives in Australia Joseph Skellern arrives on the same boat as William Dawes David Gledson arrived from Ireland William Hare is born, He serves in WW1. He plays for Silkstone Montes James Young is born, He serves in WW1. He plays for Railways Owen Smith is born, He serves in WW1. He plays for Goodna | George plays for Goodna William is a future Treasurer of Dinmore Bush Rats and has two sons William and Ernest who play for Dinmore Bush Rats. Ernest also plays for Dinmore Wanderers and St Helens and represents Ipswich Joseph has four sons Ernest, Joseph, Harry, Sydney play for Dinmore Bush Rats. Ernest also plays for St Helens David Gledson is a player and Administrator and Member of Parliament |
| | Frederick Evans is born | Frederick represented Queensland in 1912 |



George Bullock (Born 1882)



George Burrows (Born 1885)



Frederick Evans (Born 1885)



Burnett Everding (Born 1884)



William Gunn (Born 1881)



William Henry (Born (1867)



David McMurdo (Born 1877)



Tom Wade (Born 1884)



Thomas Weller (Born 1882)

First match played in Australia played at Goodna

The first ever match(friendly) was played on the 7th August 1875

Brisbane Club vs. Woogaroo Asylum

In accordance with a challenge issued by the Woogaroo players, eighteen "braves" of the Brisbane Football Club donned their war paint, left Brisbane per rail at 12.5 on Saturday last, and arrived at Woogaroo at 1.15 p.m. Their names were Menzies (captain), Joe Bourne, John Bourne, Macalister, Coutts, Brennan, M'Intosh, Foster, O'Doherty, Devoy, Norris, P. Roberts, Miles, Bryant, Scott, Bowman, Hobbs, and Caston; on the whole, a very fair team indeed

The first item on the programme was an excellent spread provided at short notice at Host Drysdale's, which was paid every attention to, and a move was then made to the scene of action, a paddock adjoining the Asylum, where play commenced at half-past 2, after arranging the rules and appointing umpires; Mr. Sheehan acting as such for Brisbane, and Mr. Jack for Woogaroo.

One rule provided that the ball should not be handled nor carried, and this condition gave a great advantage to the "bedlam" folks, as the active little Brisbane fellows thereby lost half the benefit of their " lissome-ness," while the superior weight of the Woogaroo nuggets was "bound to cipher up in a muss." So thought the spectators, but the result proved the contrary, for the first goal was kicked for the club by the veteran Joe Bourne, thanks to the skill of the Brisbane battalion. In this the first bout, the Brisbane side had the choice of ends, and the ball was kicked off at starting by Dr. Webb, who acted as captain for Woogaroo. No time was lost in saddling-up for the next heat, and at it, fast and furious, went all hands. Several players were denuded of their upper garments with a workmanlike rapidity worthy of the occasion. In one of the tussles a hapless "Metropolitan" got his finger broken; but such trifles were not allowed to interrupt "the 'harmony of the evening," any more than a cropper in the ditch stops a fox hunt; and now it was, in round No. 2, that weight began to tell, and the visitors found they had some heavy up-hill hauling to do, and in spite of all their gal-lant efforts, a Woogaroo patient sent the ball in the way it should go, between the uprights, which, after an appeal to the umpire, was allowed. Ten minutes' rest, smoke oh, and a drink, came next, and Brisbane went in "lemons" to collar, if possible, the odd trick. Our friend Jack Maca-lister—a Rupert amongst the Roundheads—formed himself into a committee for the purpose of carrying out the conveyance of the ball betwixt the Woogaroo standards, and he worked so energetically, that the motion was ultimately carried, not exactly nem con. perhaps, but certainly nolens volens. (Pray excuse our classical style!) There was some roughish play in this bout, and some unequivocal compliments given and taken; and now all hands adjourned to partake of some refreshment, hospitably pro-vided by Dr. Webb. As it was now getting late in the winter afternoon, "time" was called, and "The row that for a space began to fail, Now doubly, trebly, thundering, swelled the gale. "The local team kicked off the ball, for a fourth issue. The battle raged, the warriors were prostrated in all directions. Macalister kicked a goal (disallowed by the umpire). " Never mind, pick up the pieces, at it again," and on they went, and the fray grew as furious as if this were the deciding event; which it was not, for it had been agreed before starting that the first two out of three events should win the match, and these had been scored by Brisbane. This fourth bout for "love" was the hottest of the series, and weight again told its tale, and one of the Warders kicked a goal for Woogaroo. An attempt was then made to dance the fifth figure of the quadrille, but before it had been long on hand the bell sounded for the Brisbane boys to go home; and so, after a very jolly afternoon, and the interchange of hearty farewells and expressed hopes as to their next merry meeting—to take place, if possible, this season—the visitors proceeded per train homewards, and the latter being, as a matter of course, behind time by about an hour, they did not reach the city terminus till 7.30 p.m. The game was witnessed by a large number of the patients and many visitors, all of whom seemed to be highly delighted with the sport

Population of Ipswich 7588

• <u>13 May 1886 Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (Qld.: 1861 – 1908)</u>

A meeting was held at Bundanba, on Monday night last, for the purpose of forming a football club. There was fair attendance, and Mr.W Hastie occupied the chair. It was resolved to form a club, which will play the British Association game. Mr James Glasgow was appointed secretary; and the members present were deputed to act as a general committee until officers were permanently chosen for the year., Thirteen members were enrolled at the meeting, and it Is probable that a good many well-known players at Dinmore and Blackstone will join later on. It is intended to hold practice on the Bundanba reserve, on Saturday next, the kick-off taking place at 4 o'clock. It was decided to name the club the Bundanba Rovers

• The first official match

(Queenslanders vs Bundanba Rovers) 26th of June, 1886,

It having then been designated the "Anglo-Queensland game," and the match, which took place on the North Ipswich reserve on the date mentioned, was between a Queensland team and the Bundanba Rovers, and the names of some of the players who took part in that game were-T. Hastie, J Hudson, W. H Bemi T Tunstall, Pettigrew, J Griffith. (and the brothers Bob, Ben and Jack, and George Stephens. (the blacksmith Stephens). Subsequently, a team was formed at Blackstone, comprising William and James Lindsay, J. Taylor, Keynaston, Pearce, Williams, R Evans, Tom Barker (Captain), Jack Gordon, Jacob Tapp, J Griffith, A. Waugh, and D. Newham

Clubs formed

Blackstone Rovers Bundanba Rovers Queenslanders

Prominent players

Tom Barker (Blackstone Rovers)
Alexander Dobbie (Bundanba
Rovers)
Lack Cordon (Bundanba Rovers)

Rovers)
Jack Gordon (Bundanba Rovers)
Tom Hastie (Queenslanders)
Edward Hudson (Queenslanders)
Joseph Hudson (Queenslanders)
James Linsay (Bundanba Rovers)
William Lindsay (Bundanba Rovers)
Jacop Tapp (Blackstone Rovers)

FOOTball! FOOtball! TWO MATCHES ROLES. IPSWICH I RAID, AND SEREAL ADVERTISER. FOOTball! FOOtball!! TWO MATCHES: IPSWICH F. ROVERS (VIOTOBIAN ROLES). QUEENSLANDERS F. BUNDANBA ROVERS (ANGLO-QUEENSLAND ROLES). SATURDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 26. Oricket Beserve, North Ipswich.

Born:1886

The following players are born and serve in WW1

- William Follett (Blackstone Rovers, Bundanba Rangers, Silkstone Montes)
 William represents Ipswich
- George Law (Blackstone Rovers, Bundanba Harriers, Bundanba Rangers Dinmore Bush Rats, Silkstone Montes) Gerorge represents Qld
- Edward Neill (Redbank Seekers)
- Norman Perrett (Bundanba Rangers, Rosebells and is one of nine family members who play soccer
- Alfred Parslow (Ipswich City, Walloon)
- Peter Spence (Railways, St Stephens) .He represents Qld six times
- Harold Younger (Goodna)

Timeline

- The first club in Bundanba was Bundanba Rovers formed on May 10 1886 after a meeting of Blackstone and Dinmore players.
 Tom Hastie presided and James Glasgow was appointed Secretary
- William Bailey was born in Yorkshire, England. He sailed for Australia with his parents in 1885 in the Duke of Westminster and landed inrisbane January 11, 1886. He was in the first Dinmore Bush Rats team in 1890
- Mattia Bognuda was born in Switzerland and arrived in Australia in 1854 on the ship Ida in 1886. Twelve family members play soccer in Ipswich
- Jack Routledge was born in, Yorkshire (England). He arrived in Australia
 with his parents on the Duke of Argyle in 1886
 He also was a member of the Bush Rats holding the position of captain
 for nine years, and he was also treasurer

• Queenslanders 2 vs Bundanba Rovers 2

Players in 1886

Blackstone Rovers: Tom Barker (Captain) Richard Evans, Jack Gordon, J Griffiths, William Keynaston, James Lindsay William Lindsay, D Newham, Jacob Tapp, J Taylor, Archibald Waugh, Pearce, Williams

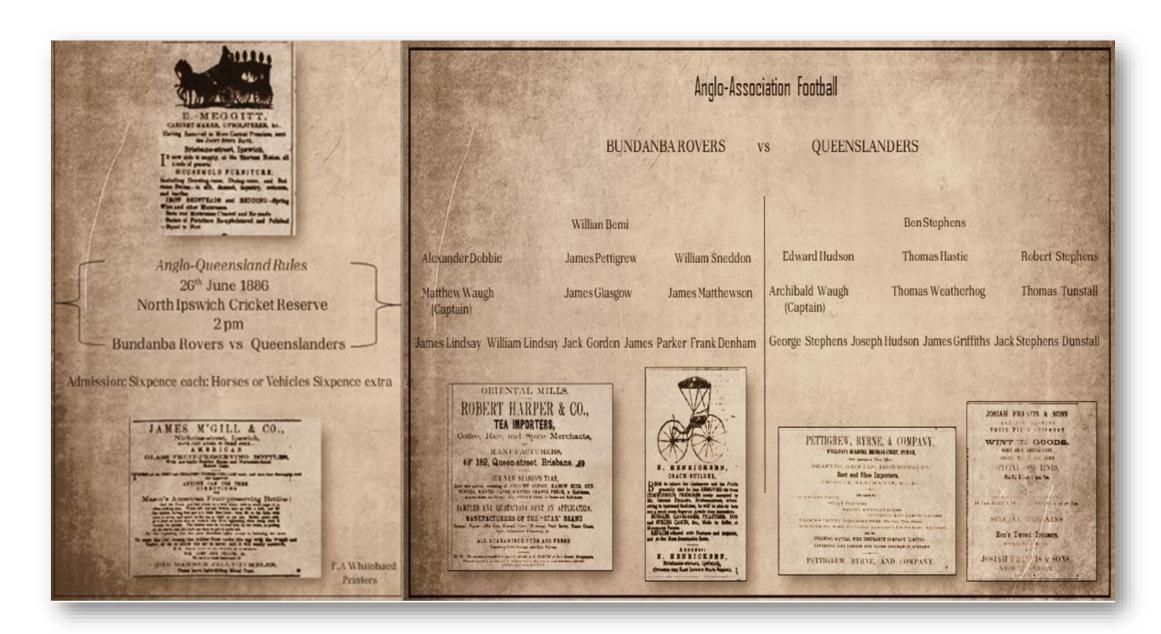
Bundanba Rovers: William Bemi,F Denham,Alexander Dobbie, James Glasgow, James Lindsay, William Lindsay David Newlands, Parker, Pettigrew, William Sneddon

Queenslanders: Tom Hastie, Edward Hudson, Joseph William Hudson, Joseph Lebeter, Ben Stephens, Jack Stephens George Stephens, Thomas Tunstall

$\underline{\textbf{26th of June, 1886}} \ \textit{Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser} \ (2)$

Queenslanders 2 vs Bundamba Rovers 2

The first football match played at Ipswich under the Anglo-Queensland rules came off on the cricket reserve on Saturday afternoon last, the contesting teams being the Rovers, of Bundanba, and the Queenslanders, of this town. Owing to the usual convincing ground being occupied with another match, this one was played on the lower portion of the reserve the end nearest the woollen factory. The ground was not in a good state by any means. Some of the stumps had just recently been removed, and the surface was very rough and muddy, and in places pools of water lay in the hollows. Though there were many persons present, the livelier game going on at the upper end seemed to have, by a long way, the greater attraction. Then the spectators were better acquainted with the Australian game, few seeming to properly understand the one recently introduced. The teams, too, were new to the game, and it could not be expected that such exciting or interesting play was to he witnessed at their end of the ground as between the Ipswich and Brisbane men further up. This game was played with eleven men a side. The goals, placed at a distance of 120 yards from each other, consisted each of two posts 8ft. high and 24ft. apart, with a crossbar on. To obtain a goal the ball was to be kicked between the posts and under the bar, and nothing counts but goals. None of the players except the goal-keeper are allowed to "handle" the ball, and if in any way, the ball touches a player's hands (or a player's hands touch the ball) a free kick is allowed to the other side. It seemed very natural to the players to put out their hands towards the ball, and a good many free kicks were allowed. While handling is not allowed, "head-work" is, and at times it was amusing to watch the men jump at the ball and strike it with the head. The fact that no umpire could be obtained militated against the game, and the players had to decide all questions that arose amongst themselves. Hastie, who captained the Queenslanders, won the toss from Waugh, and chose the eastern goal, thus having a little advantage as regards the breeze. After playing for three-quarters of an hour, a rest of ten minutes was allowed, goals were changed, and play resumed for another three-quarters of an hour. J Glasgow kicked off for the Rovers, a little after half past three oclock. Nothing spectacular occurred till within two minutes of half-time, when R. Stephens passed the ball to Tunstall, who was within five yards or so of the posts, and he kicked the first goal for the Queenslanders. After the half-time interval play was resumed, and about half an hour afterwards the cry of "Handball" was raised by some of the Rovers, who seemed to stop play for a free kick, but the other party played or, and B. Stephens pat the ball between the posts. It was, however, agreed I that this should not count. Tunstall, nevertheless, put the sphere through properly a few minutes subsequently. The Rovers then played up better and Sneddon soon kicked a goal for them. Their captain followed up with, another goal thus equalising the score. As nothing more was added, the game terminated in a draw. Among the Rovers. Waugh played a capital game, and Dobbie, Sneddon, and Denham did good service. For the Blues, Tunstall and Hastie played best. and were ably supported by Hudson R and J Stephens, and others. We under stand that the St. Andrew's Club are sending up a team to play the Queenslanders here on Saturday next, and as a good many people seem to think the Anglo-Queensland a pretty game, if a good combined match could be arranged for some afternoon when no other game is on, the public, we think, would patronise it and the might also be educated with regard to the pastime.



Re-created match details

Tuesday 27 July 1886 Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (3)

*Extract

The match, though well played had not such attractions for the public as had the Australian game which was going on lower down the reserve at the name time, but the supporters of the Anglo Queensland game here are sanguine that it will yet come to the front as they say it deserves to.

Tuesday 17 August 1886 Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser(4)

An interesting football match was played under the Anglo Queensland rules, at the Pineapple ground, on Saturday, between the Rangers and the Bundanba Rovers. The former won by 2 goals to 1 Waugh, of the Bundanba club, appeared to be their best man, if not the best of all the players, but only the Lind. says and Tunstall backed him up really well The visitors were entertained in the evening.

Mr. Tunstall is reported to have said, in the course of his speech, that the Anglo. Queensland game met with very little support in Ipswich, but he intended to play no other.

Brisbane Courier (Ipswich population)

The 1886 census showed there were then 7576 persons within the municipality, while the present one gives 7588. This would lead one to believe that a decrease of 38 had taken place, while actually there was an increase though comparatively small); as many residents are away temporarily from the town seeking employment until things are brisker in Ipswich, and, in addition to this, it is known that at least sixty of the inhabitants wore away in Southport on the night the census was taken. As regards the district immediately surrounding the town the increase in population is satisfactory, the numbers being in 1880, 9562; 1891, 10302. The boundaries which define the district run along the Ipswich side of Bundamba Creek to Deebing Creek, thence round to the Ipswich-Toowoomba railway line, including Amberley and the Four-mile Gate, the municipal boundary being the limit on the northern side of the river. The gain in population to the suburbs is therefore 740, a result which is gratifying in the face of the depression throughout the colony for the past twelve





Photo Source: Picture Ipswich Library







Norm Perrrett



Willam Follett



Alfred Parslow

Blackstone Rovers

Blackstone Rovers was formed in 1886.

It was reported that Sergeant Frederick Wort(1863-1932) drill instructor for the Defence force introduced Soccer to Blackstone. Sergeant Frederick Wort would be the clubs captain and players were principally drawn from those who served in the "Old Volunteers"

The original Rovers ground was directly across the creek on Lewis Thomas's land on Blackstone Road next to the now Heritage listed Welsh Church and was donated by Lewis Thomas on the condition no games would be played on a Sunday. The ground is the oldest where Soccer has been played continuously The Welsh influence on Blackstone Rovers would continue to today with the Blackstone Welsh United Dragons (QCSA) playing on the ground after forming in 1970.



Rovers played in Red and then from 1904 Black striped shirts with white shorts and black socks with red tops

.The war cry was "Play up Rovers" Andrew Hamilton became the first Secretary of Blackstone Rovers and was responsible for importing the first Black and Red Guernsey's from Scotland.

Tom Barker would become the first Ipswich player selected for Queensland. Tom was secretary of The Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association, The Ipswich Shelley brothers were also selected but they were living and playing in Brisbane at the time but move to Ipswich in 1896 Rovers would win the first Ipswich trophy in The Ipswich and West Moreton Competition in 1891 defeating Silkstone in the Final



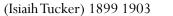












Blackstone Rovers Badge 1890's

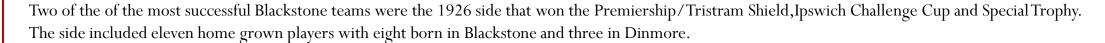


In 1895 some players went to Dinmore Bush Rats and in 1896 the Club did not compete and its players and officials eventually joined a new club Ipswich Rovers. Ipswich Rovers would win the QBFA Challenge Cup Final and Charity Cup that year. Ipswich Rovers would become Blackstone Rovers after 1900 In 1911 Rovers changed to Rugby Union returning to Soccer in 1912 Rovers were also nicknamed the "Boo Boos"

Rovers would win 30 trophies in all until the club merged with Bundamba Rangers in 1965 to form Coalstars

Blackstone Rovers would produce twenty five players who would play for Queensland and six for Australia Jack(Toddy)Edwards, Les Halls, Redvers Kitching, Ron Hughes, Robert Lawrie, Don Leo, Alwyn Warren.

A number of Queensland and Australian players played for Rovers including Col Kitching, Mervyn Shanks, Brian (Chooky) Vogler Richard James, Redvers Kitching who represented Australia.



The 1953 side that won four trophies Premiership/Tristram and Hilton Shield Winners, Ambulance Shield only losing to St Helens in the Cribb and Foote Cup

Notable families who played and were administrators for Blackstone were the Dobbie, Evans, Hughes, Williams and Woolleys

In 1970 Blackstone Welsh United Dragons (QCSA) formed, Coalstars owned the ground and played matches there and when Sunday matches were played to the annoyance of church goers in the nearby Welsh Church some ex-Rovers players bought the ground and United Dragons was born. Eric Jones and Norm Rule were instrumental in the formation of the club

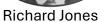
Unfortunately the Blackstone Rovers Clubhouse was destroyed by arsonists

PREMIERS 1962

Under 18 Juniors

Blackstone Rovers Life Members







Robert Jones



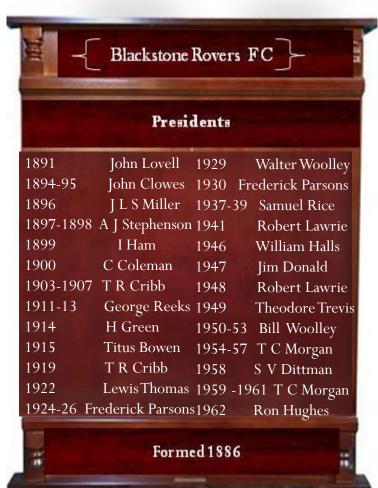
Thomas Morgan



Robert Dobbie



William Hughes





Lewis Thomas



William Halls



Frederick Parsons



Walter Woolley



Robert Lawrie

Titus Bowen



Ron Hughes



Theodore Trevis



Thomas Cribb



George Reeks



Jim Donald



Alfred Stephenson

- By 1887 Queenslanders folded.Blackstone Rovers and Bundanba Rovers remained from the original clubs
- New clubs were Little Rangers formed at Bundanba and Kangaroos at Dinmore
- Dave Waugh "We were only boys at the time," he said this week, "but I remember that this team was playing in 1887. In that year we formed a team and called it the *Little Rangers. Most of the boys at that meeting, which was held in Beavis's bakery (which stood near the Methodist Church) were from Scotland. When we were considering what to name our team I suggested 'Little Rangers
- Players for Little Rangers were Harry Besgrove James Bingham, Alexander, Archibald, James and Robert Dobbie David Gledson, Andy and Robert Muir, Andrew and Robert Rae Dave Waugh,
- David Gledson would go on to be Attorney General of Queensland
- Robert Jones arrives in Australia (Eight family members play for Rovers, So many Jones live in one Blackstone street it is named Jones street
 - Pearce Williams arrive in Australia in 1887 and played for Blackstone Royers from 1888-1890
 - George Duck arrives in Australia. He is in the first Dinmore Bush Rats team and is a future President



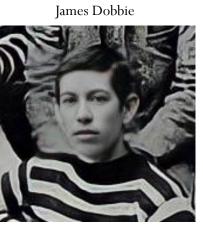
Harry Besgrove



David Gledson



Robert Dobbie



Dave Waugh





Alexander Dobbie

New Clubs formed Kangaroos Little Rangers

Prominent players

Alexander Dobbie (Little Rangers)

Archibald Dobbie (Little Rangers

James Dobbie (Little Rangers)

Robert Dobbie Little Rangers

David Gledson (Little Rangers)

Born: 1887

Robert Evans

Robert Noble

• James Rule

• James Comrie who will be elected President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association in 1920

The following players are born and serve in WW1

- James Allan (Bundanba Athletic/ Bundanba Rangers
- Frederick Mayne (Queens Park Rangers)
- James McKenzie Railways, Blackstone Rovers, St Stephens, Ipswich and QLD representative 1912)

World War 1 Veterans



Frederick Mayne



James McKenzie



Ipswich Soldiers Memorial Hall



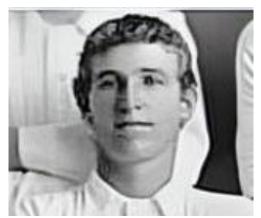
Bundamba War MemoriaL

- Alec Gibb the first Australian Captain is born in Ireland (See separate slides)
- Garnet Burns represented Ipswich eleven times and Queensland twelve times John would play for Ipswich twice
 He was also President of Goodna Football Club
- Whitehead Studios open.
 They will be involve in taking soccer photos for over 100 years

New Clubs formed

Bundanba Unions New Chum Bush Rats

<u>Prominent players</u>
James Lindsay (Bundanba Unions)
William Lindsay (Bundanba Unions)



Garnet Burns



Ernest Crabbe



William Erskine

Born in 1888

Alec Gibb (See separate slides)

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The following players are born and serve in WW1

- $\bullet \;\;$ Garnet Burns (Dinmore Bush Rats,Blackstone Rovers,Goodna
 - Ernest Crabbe (Rosewood)
 - William Erskine (Booval Stars, Harriers)

• Harold Hincks (Railways)

- Frederick Shanks (Bundanba Athletic, (Bundanba Rangers)
 - George Sharpe (Booval Stars)
 - Harold Wilde (St Stephens)

Alec Gibb (1888-1976)

Alec represented Australia fourteen times

Alec Gibb was Captain of first 1922 Australian team that toured New Zealand
Born in Ireland, moved to Scotland, Alec migrated to Australia in 1911
He played with Bundamba Athletics in 1912 winning a premiership and then Bundamba Rangers
In 1914 he played for Dinmore Bush Rats and in 1916 for St Helens and in 1925 Ipswich City.
Alec played Right half and was captain of the 1922 Bundamba Rangers Premiership team
In 1923 he became Captain/Coach of South Brisbane Scottish
From 1913 to 1924 (with the exception of the war years) he played in every Ipswich and
Queensland team and played 16 times for Ipswich and 21 times for Queensland
In the 1922 series in New Zealand Alex was captain and again against New Zealand in Australia

Alec won two medals presented for the best Australian player in both series.

In a report of a match in New Zealand

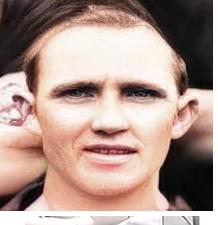
Age (Melbourne, Vic.: 1854 - 1954), Monday 26 June 1922 (10)

About 15,000 people attended the soccer game between Australia and New Zealand.

It ended in a draw 1 goal each. The match was "willing" and no fewer than five men were temporarily knocked out

In 1970 Alec at the age of 82 attended the Qld Auckland match in Brisbane and donated a Trophy for the Best and Fairest Auckland player to reicprocate his 1922 Medal

Alec was offered the captaincy of the Australian team against the Chinese XI in 1923 but could not accept for business reasons





ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

AUSTRALIA

NEW ZEALAND

Carisbrook, 17th June, 1922.

1922



Alec continued his association with the game, when he retired as an Ipswich, Queensland and Australian selector and was also President of the local Association from 1926 until 1940.

Alec was on the Queensland Football Association Executive and was Patron of the Ipswich and

West Moreton Junior Committee and also wrote for the Queensland times

During the war years Alec was President of the Ipswich Soccer Patriotic organisation that raised funds for the war effort

Alec played centre forward for Bundamba Rangers (old boys) against Latrobe at the age of 59 in 1947

Alec was the first of five from the Gibb family to represent for either Ipswich, Qld or Australia.

The others were Alf, Allan, Lex and Lex (Buddy).

Alec worked for 25 years at Cribb and Foote before retiring in 1954

In retirement Alec played bowls and became secretary of Booval Bowls Club

In 2020 the Gibb-Masters Cup wass named for matches between Qld and NSW

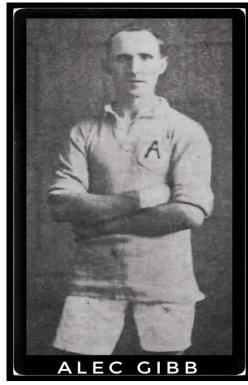
* Alec was inducted in to the Soccer Hall of Fame in 2000



Alec's No 1 Australia cap







***The Ashes**

The Soccer Ashes were created after Australia first win over New Zealand(2-1) in Brisbane in 1923.

The ashes consisted of the remains of cigars smoked by the two captains, Alex Gibb and

George Campbell and all team members and officials

The ashes were collected by the NZ team manager into a cigarette case used at Gallipoli by W Fisher who was the Australian manager and Qld FA secretary

The case was then set in wood from both countries.

The trophy was played for until 1954 and then lost it was discovered in 2023 and played for again



Soccer Ashes



Back in the day: Soccer's version of The Ashes are weighed in Sydney in 1948. The 'Soccer Ashes'

SOCCER "ASHES."

MORE THAN A MYTH.

Mr. Alex. Gibb's Contribution.

With the Austrulian Soccer fear who arrived at Auckland by the Wan ganelia recently came a real casket c ashes to be the stake of the three Tes matches that are to be played betwee the Commonwealth and New Zealan (states the Auckland "Star" in a recent issue). Admittedly the idea o playing for "the ashea" is cribbe from international cricket, but on the outcome of this season's matches be tween Australia and New Zealand depends the custody of a casket of actual ash.

It happened this way. At the conciusion of the New Zealand eleven' tour of Australia in 1923 George Camp bell, captain of the New Zealan team and Alec Gibb, captain of the Australian team, sat puffing cigars a the farewell banquet, and dropping their ashes into the same tray. Mr. H. G. Mayer, who, with Mr. H. I. Graves was managing the New Zealand team suggested that he ashes in the trashould be made the stake of futur Soccer matches between the Common wealth and the Dominion.

The ashes were placed in a plate safety-razor case tin long by lin deep and in, wide, which Mr. W. Fisher, Secretary of the Queenslam Football Association that year, has carried with him at the historic landing at Anzac Cove. He gave it to Mi Mayer, who offered it as a suitable receptacle for the cases.

With the cigar ashes in it, the metal case was soldered, and author quently enclosed in a casket of Australian and New Zealand woods. The body is of Australian maple, and this and base of rewarewa—New Zealand honeysuck'e. It is surmounts with a Soccer all of liver, with a silver kangaroo between the twin ferricave of New Zealand, with the letters "N.Z." in blue enamet.

On the underside of the lid an in scribed plate tells the story of the sahes, while the base bears a silve plate with the following inscriptio:

"New Zealand and Australian Soccer Ashes. This casket is made o New Zealand and Australian woods and was presented by H. G. Mayer manager of the New Zealand tean touring Australia 1923 season. The ashes are contained in a canister inside this casket."

Source: Queensland Times 8th July 1936 (11)

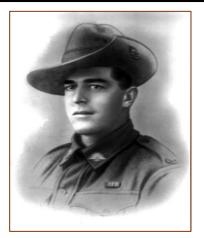
• Dave Newlands (27 December 1952 Queensland Times)

Dave was born at Bathgate, between Edinburgh and Glasgow, and came to Ipswich in 1889. He took up residence in Brisbane

Road, Booval, and has remained in the Booval area ever since. After a few years with Blackstone Dave, John Lovell, Jacob Tapp, and Tom Barker went to the Dinmore Bridge and formed two teams. One team played at Nunn's Paddock, and the other was called Wallabies. Next year the teams amalgamated to become New Chum Bush Rats.

Dave was in the 1891 Blackstone Rovers premiership team and his son Merv represented Australia and son George represented Queensland

• (Blackstone and Bundanba vs Brisbane) 17th September 1889 This was the first match between Brisbane and a combined Ipswich team. The match was in aid of the Ipswich Hospital and raised two pound ten shillings The match did not include Dinmore teams.



George Gilson



James Gilson



Dave Newlands



William Rolls

New Clubs formed

Born in 1889

- William Pitcairn was born in Clackmannanshire, Scotland. William was a Scottish Junior International William founded and played for Raceview Royals He was also a long standing club and Ipswich and West Moreton committee member coach and referee. William had three sons play soccer. John, Alan and William
- The following are born and serve in WW1
- John Callon who was killed on the 27th September 1917 in France.(Ipswich City and St Stephens)
- George Gilson (Goodna)
- James Gilson (Goodna) Killed in France in 1918
- Albert Victor Soloman(Queens Park Rangers)
- William Rolls (Dinmore Bush Rats)

- The oldest existing team photo is the 1890 Dinmore Bush Rats team,. The photo however was taken in 1895. Dinmore Bush Rats known as New Chum Bush Rats(the name changing in 1894) operated from 1888 to 1934. The club was know as Celtics for a month in 1894 and just Dinmore in 1905 for a year reverting back to Dinmore Bush Rats. The club withdrew from the Senior competition in 1934 but continued as a Junior club for three years. They reformed in 1945 and commenced playing in 1946 winning the Premiership in 1950 and 1954. Bush Rats had a number of grounds including Nunn's Paddock Reliance Ground, River Road, Riverview. (purchased in 1947)

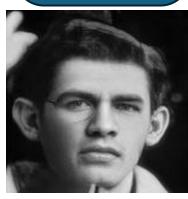
 They merged with Redbank Seekers in 1962 and eventually with St Helens in 1966. Bush Rats won a total of 42 trophies the most of any club. Twenty one Queensland Representative and two Internationals were selected whilst playing for the club
 - They club appeared again in the seventies and again in the nineties only to fold. The club again reappeared in 2017 as a junior club playing in the QCFC
- First Interstate match (Queensland 3 v New South Wales 1) played on the 16 August
- Tom Barker of Blackstone Rovers becomes the first Ipswich player to be selected for Queensland
- George and Sam Shelley who later move to Ipswich also selected in the 1890 Qld team. George is Captain
- William Hughes Born Tre flynon Ireland arrived in Australia in 1890
 The Hughes family have sixteen members who play soccer mostly for Blackstone Rovers. Ron is selected for Australia and Robbie for Q;d
- Tom Barker" Tom 'Old Sport' "Red Gum" returned to Ipswich in 1890 to rejoin the Queensland Times after almost a decade away working in northern Queensland and at Brisbane newspapers. Tom aka T. J. Barker, aka 'Old Sport' and "Red Gum" wrote extensively on soccer for 35 years



Tom(Old Sport) Barker

Prominent players

Matthew Bailey
William Bailey
Owen Coleman
George Duck
William Duck
Richard Evans
David Frankland
David Newlands
Joseph Skellern



Griffith Evans

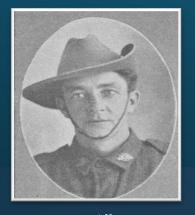
Born in 1890

- Robert Lawrie Senior plays for Booval Stars.Robert will have four sons play soccer Robert, William, Alexander and James. Robert was President of Blackstone Rovers.*Robert Jnr would play for Australia 43 times he was also captain 27 times and was inducted into the Hall of Fame.Robert and William served in WW2. Great Grandsons Ian is also selected for the Australia and Glen is selected for Queensland
- James Clarkson represented Queensland in 1922/1923
- Griffith Evans represented Queensland in 1912
 - The following players are born and serve in WW1
- Edward Akes (Rosewood)
- Fergus Allan (Bundanba Athletic)
- William Breslin represented Queensland in 1914 (Dinmore Bush Rats, Ipswich City St Helens and Bundanba Rangers Premiership winner in 1913)
- Eric Clowes (Bundamba Rangers) James Sharp (Bundanba Rangers)
- Thomas Mercer (St Stephens)
- Joseph Pedley (Dinmore Bush Rats, Blackstone Rovers, Bundanba Rangers)
- James Sharpe (Bundanba Rangers)

World War 1 Veterans Born 1890



Edward Akes



Fergus Allan



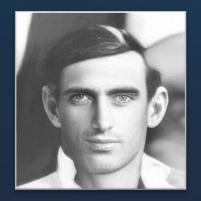
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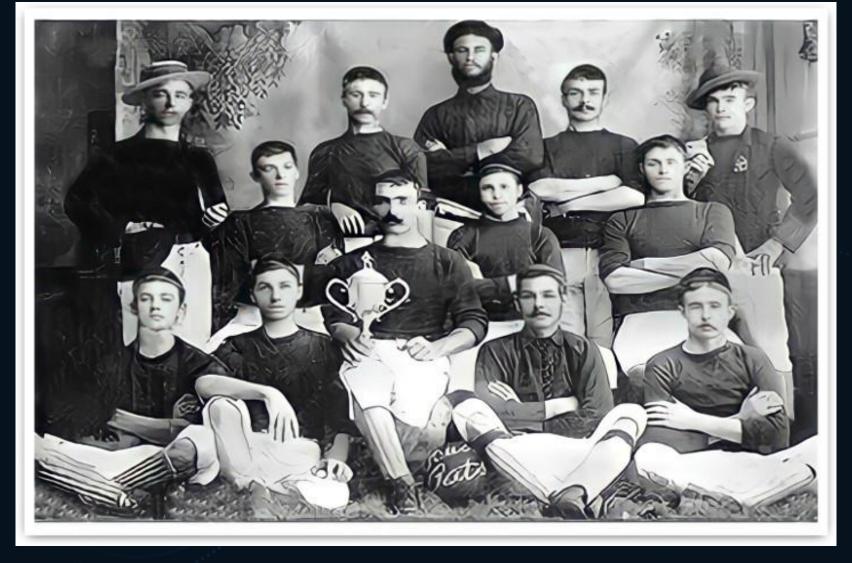


James Sharpe



Booval War Memorial



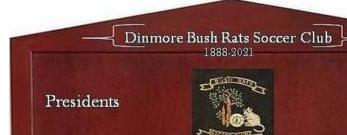


<u>1890</u>

Dinmore Bushrats

Back Row (L-R): John Campbell centre(1867-1942) Matthew Bailey(full back1862-1941) John Besgrove(Goalkeeper(1859 1940) George Duck(full back 1868-1954) Robert Campbell (half back (1871-1939) Middle Row: Jack Jeffrey(wing 1873-1948), William Duck(1863-1960) Owen Coleman forward (1870-1955) William Jeffrey(half back 1869-1952)

Front Row: Joseph Skellern (right wing 1873-1955) Joe Jeffrey (half back 1871-1937) David Frankland(1856-1930) William Bailey(left wing 1869-1936)



| 1890-1891 | William Lynch | 1953 | Richard Jackson |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 1892 | George Duck | 1954-1955 | C Lowe |
| 1893-1894 | Michael J ffrey | 1956 | L Jackson |
| 1895-1904 | William Lynch | 1957-1959 | D. Grimmond |
| 1905 | David McInnes | 1960 | N Bavister |
| 1906-1915 | Matthew Bailey | 1961 | C Lowe |
| 1920 | O Butt | 1966 | N Hillard |
| 1921 | Alexander Stewart | 1975-1976 | K Bognuda |
| 1922 | William Devlin | 1977 | C Brown |
| 1923 | William Lynch | 1978-1979 | Lloyd Verrall |
| 1924-1925 | Alexander Stewart | 1980 | N D Evans |
| 1926 | Alfred Hudson | 1981 | J Ferguson |
| 1945-1946 | Frank Corbutt | 1988-1989 | Gerard Noble |
| 1947-1949 | Richard Jackson | 1990-2013 | Lloyd Verrall |
| 1950 | Frank Corbutt | 2017-2021 | Scott Morrison |







George Duck



Michael Jeffrey



David McInnes Matthew Bailey







Frank Corbutt

Ken Bognuda



Richard Jackson



N Bavister







Neville Hillard



David Grimmond





Lloyd Verrall Scott Morrisson



The first Qld team from 1890 in a reunion before the 1925 Qld vs England FA XI match
Back Row: James McCosh, James Inglis, *Sam Shelley, A Rankin (Manager)

Front Row: William Collie, A Manson, *George Shelley, (Captain) A Brown, William Dreghorn

*The Shelley's were from Ipswich

• Ipswich Challenge Cup is commenced and will survive until 1936

The Trophy was played for to determine the Champion team of Ipswich When the split between Brisbane and Ipswich was resolved for then 1937 season the trophy was no longer contested.

- Blackstone Rovers win the Ipswich Challenge Cup the first title (Blackstone Rovers 2 Silkstone 1)
- Ipswich and West Moreton withdrew from the Brisbane Competition after becoming discontented with their treatment by the QBFA
- Tom Barker was chiefly responsible for the inauguration of the local Association, having convened the meeting for the purpose in July of 1891 with support from AJ. Stephenson, W Stafford and William Lynch and L ("Jack") Miller William Kennedy is the first President The Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association lasts until 1940
- John Lovell elected President of Blackstone Rovers. He also captains the team
- The first Ipswich Brisbane match is played on the 11th July
 The competition between the two cities will survive until 1992
 Matches won Ipswich (72) Brisbane (62) Draws 25
 Venue of matches Brisbane 92, Ipswich 67
 (Kruger Sawmill donated the Kruger Cup from 1944-1975 and Alderman James Pike the Queensland District Cup in 1924)
- Antonio and Joseph Bognuda plays for the new club Dinmore and are the first of fourteen family members to play

New Clubs formed

Dinmore FC Dinmore Stars Ipswich Silkstone Stars

Prominent players

Selected for Ipswich

James Lindsay
William Lindsay
William Roberts
Aaron Noble
Tom Barker
John Gordon
George Shelley
William Lowden
Tom McMurtrie
William Wright
William Henderson
Jas Brown
Tom McMurtrie

Born in 1891

• Alfred Heaton represents Ipswich 14 times and Queensland two times

The following players are born and serve in WW1

- Thomas Barclay (Rosebells)
- Patrick Cassidy (Ipswich City/Railways)
- Joseph Grieveson (Silkstone Montes)
- Peter Jeffrey St Helens, Bundanba Rangers, Dinmore Bush Rats, Dinmore Wanderers)
- Charles Livermore (Rosebells, Bundanba Rangers)
- William Matheson (Bundanba Rangers)
- Ernest Naylor (Goodna)
- David Neilson (Dinmore Bush Rats) Ipswich representative 1919,1920
- Cryil Perrett (Rosebells)
- Alexander Pringle (Bundanba Rangers)
- Norman Roberts (St Helens)
- Richard Williams (Blackstone Rovers)

<u>Blackstone Rovers</u> Challenge Cup Winners

Players: John Lovell(Captain) Thomas Lovell, Tom Barker, James Evans, Harry Gambling (1870-1913 Jack Huse, Thomas Jones William H Jones (1868-1926) James Lindsay (1864-1898) William Lindsay (1868-1946) Dave Newlands (1869-1961) Nickleson

Aaron Noble (1866-1950), Tom Roberts, William Roberts, William Taylor, Edward Wallis, Harris

William Taylor and Tom Barker also captained this year William Lindsay, William Roberts, Aaron Noble, James Lindsay, Tom Barker selected for Ipswich

President: John Lovell



James Lindsay,



William Lindsay



Aaron Noble

| | Club | Matches | Won | Drawn | Loss | For A | Against | Points |
|---|-------------------|---------|-----|-------|------|-------|---------|--------|
| 1 | Blackstone Rovers | 7 | 4 | 3 | | 14 | 10 | 11 |
| 2 | Silkstone | 7 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 3 | Ipswich | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 5 |
| 4 | Bush Rats | 6 | | 4 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 4 |
| 5 | Dinmore | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 |





Ipswich Challenge Cup

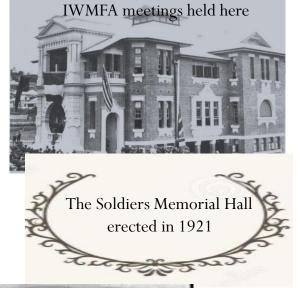
17th August 1891 (Queensland Times) (4)

Formation of Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association

For some time pot those interested in the game of football as played under British Association Rules have been anxious to form an association on similar lines to that of the West Moreton Rugby Union, in order that cup matches for the various clubs could be a ranged. With this object in view a meeting was held, at Dinmore, last week, in the rooms of the Workmen's Club. Mr. T. Barker occupied the chair, and teams from Dinmore (2), New Chum, Blackstone, and Silkstone were represented. On the motion of Mr. Caddies, seconded by Mr. Lovell, it was decided that an association should be formed for the West Moreton district. After a few other matters had been attended to, the meeting was adjourned till this evening at Kennedy's hotel, Booval, for the purpose of making further arrangements. The British Association game has become very popular of late, especially in the mining centre, and, though somewhat late for this season, if a good association could be successfully worked (and there is no reason why it should not, it would be the medium of greatly advancing the game next year.

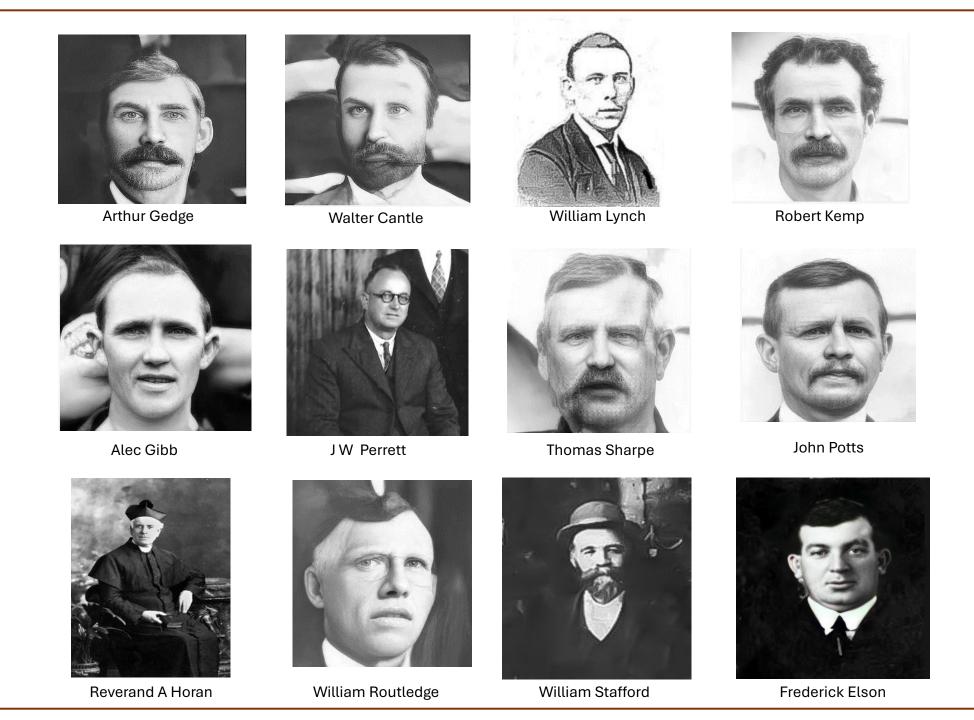
| | st Moreton Football Association | | | | | |
|---------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Presidents) | | | | | | |
| 1891 | William Kennedy | | | | | |
| 1892-1893 | William Stafford | | | | | |
| 1894 | Reverand A Horan | | | | | |
| 1895-1898 | W J Lynch | | | | | |
| 1899 | R Kelly | | | | | |
| 1900-1904 | E.G Morgan | | | | | |
| 1905-1908 | William Routledge | | | | | |
| 1909-1910 | Walter Cantle | | | | | |
| 1911 | Arthur Gedge | | | | | |
| 1912 | Walter Cantle | | | | | |
| 1913 | Thomas Sharp(Senior) | | | | | |
| 1914-1915 | John Potts | | | | | |
| 1919 | Robert Kemp | | | | | |
| 1920 | James Comrie | | | | | |
| 1921 | Arthur Gedge | | | | | |
| 1922-1923 | Frederick Elson | | | | | |
| 1923-1924 | John W Perrett | | | | | |
| 1925 | R G Davison/Allen Harley | | | | | |
| 1926-1940 | Alec Gibb | | | | | |







Racehorse Hotel



Thomas Sharp (1851-1937) (President of IWMFA)

Tom Sharp, had a keen concern in the soccer game in which, in his younger days, he was a capable exponent He came from a soldier line of Scottish folk, and he doted on the military.

He was for 12 years in the army, having been with the colours for seven years and 10 days, and he was four years and 335 days in other callings of the army from which he obtained his discharge with a very good record.

He is a native of Hawick, Roxborough, Scotland, but later on when old enough, he followed the calling of a coal-miner at Larkhall, in Lanarkshire.

He joined the 90th.Perthshire volunteers at Hamilton, Glasgow, thence he went to the 90th.line regiment in Dublin Six months afterwards he volunteered for service to the 74th. Highlanders, with whom he sailed to Malta, and while quartered there, the 74th. received orders to go on to Singapore. Doing six months duty at Hong Kong, he returned to the depot at Hamilton, Glasgow. While here news came of the tumult of the Zulus, in South Africa and the cutting up of the 24h regiment for which volunteers were called and he joined up with the colours, and they were dispatched for the scene of operations.

He received a Zulu medal, and returned to Gibraltor, where after six months at this famous fort his next move was to India. his regiment-having been sent thence to Afghanistan, where they arrived at the scene of hostilities just after Lord Roberts's — celebrated march to Kandahar.

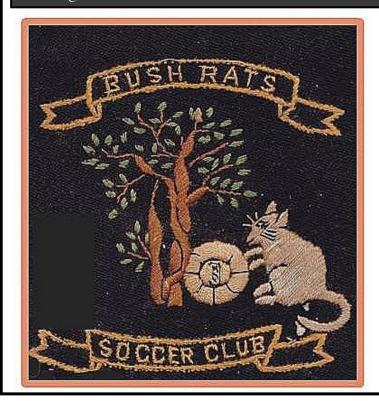
Fourteen months were put in the Indian climate, were in they were returned to England and placed in reserve at Bracken in the south of Wales.

He married while in the army, was called up again in 1880, and sent to Tabekabu, Egypt His military career lasted for some 12 years, when he retired from a soldier's life and went back to a mining life in Scotland

He has no complaints anent his soldier's life, it having been as open. free life which he thoroughly enjoyed.

Three of his brothers were soldlers, and during the recent great war, two of his sons and a grandson were at the front, and the husband of a granddaughter was killed abroad. He left the old country, where he held important positions after his soldiers life and came to Queensland about 12 years ago, settling down at Bundanba ever since until leaving for the north

- Dinmore Bush Rats win their first Premiership
 (They win for the next six years and will win more trophies then any other club)
- Ipswich Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Callbacks nil)
- William Stafford is elected President of the Ipswich Association
- William Lynch elected President of Dinmore F.C
- George Duck is elected President of Dinmore Bush Rats



New Clubs formed
Callbacks
Whitwood FC

Prominent players

William Edwards
George Duck
William Duck
William Jones
Charles Marsh
Aaron Noble
David Nunn
William Perrett
William Wright

Born in 1892

The following players are born and serve in WW1

- John Andrews (Ipswich City)
- Archibald Binnie (Blackstone Rovers, Bundanba Rangers)
- William Bowie (Ipswich City)
- Charles W Brown (St Stephens)
- William Carruthers (Ipswich City/Queens Park Rangers)
- James Conway (Blackstone Rovers, Railways, Bundanba Athletic)
 Ipswich Representative 1922
- Ernest Elms (Rosebells, Bundanba Rangers)
- William Henry (Blackstone Rovers)
- William Johnstone (Walloon, St Stephens, Railways)
- Andrew Kelly (Bundanba Rangers)
- Frederick Nunn (Dinmore Bush Rats, Bundanba Rangers)
- William Paterson was Killed in 1916 (Blackstone Rovers)
- Clarence Perrett (tSt Helens, Bundanba Rangers Ipswich City, Rosebells)
 Ipswich representative 1912
- Albert Pettit (Ipswich City)
- James Stevenson (St Stephens)

Timeline

 Dan Potts is born and will play 21 Matches for Ipswich and 24 matches for Queensland (1912-1922)
 Dan played for Dinmore Bush Rats, St Helens and Ipswich City

| | Club | Matches | Won | Drawn | Loss | For | Against | Points |
|---|-------------------|---------|-----|-------|------|-----|---------|--------|
| 1 | Dinmore Bush Rats | 10 | 7 | 3 | nil | 27 | 8 | 16 |
| 2 | Dinmore | 10 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 17 | 11 | 14 |
| 3 | Call Backs | 11 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 25 | 12 | 13 |
| 5 | Blackstone Rovers | 10 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 7 |
| 5 | Silkstone | 10 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 14 | 7 |
| 6 | Whitwood A | 10 | | 6 | 5 | 6 | 18 | 6 |



Champions (Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association

Edward Ansell,











John Andrews

Charles Brown

William Carruthers

James Conway

Ernest Elms



William Henry



Andrew Kelly



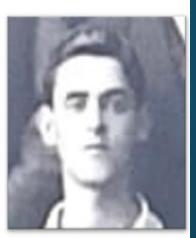
Frederick Nunn



William Paterson



Clarence Perrett



John Stevenson

Dinmore Bush Rats win the Ipswich Challenge Cup

(Dinmore Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers nil)

(Team was as follows0

George Duck (Captain) (fullback) John Besgrove (Goalkeeper) Edward Ansell (left wing) William Wright (centre) Joe Jeffrey (half back) William Jeffrey (half back) Robert Lee, David Frankland, John Campbell Matthew Bailey (fullback) Jack Jeffrey (right wing) Robert Campbell (half back Joe Skellern (right wing) William Bailey(left wing) Alexander "Sandy" Stewart Alexander Campbell

- Dinmore Bush Rats clear new ground situated opposite the pottery works, close by the New Chum Colliery
- The following officers were elected to the Asoociation Mr. T. Thomas, Patron Mr. William Stafford, President (re-elected) Messrs. Jeffrey (New Chum) William T Lynch (Dinmore) William J Kennedy, James Lindsay, J P. Bottomley (Bundanba) Vice-Presidents Mr. T Barker, Ssecretary
- Ipswich representative matches Ipswich 2 Brisbane nil (24th May) Ipswich 2 Brisbane 2 (9th September)
- Booval Enterprises is formed by James and William Lindsay

Prominent players

Selected for Ipswich

(Blackstone Rovers)

Tom Barker

Dave Boulton

William Roberts

William Lindsay

William Henry Jones

A Spencer

H Spencer

Henry Gambling

(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Robert Campbell

William Caddies

William Wright

William Jeffrey

Alec Stewart

Joe Skellern

Matthew Bailey

• Alfred Law (Blackstone Rovers, Dinmore Bush Rats) Ipswich representative 1919

- Henry Mills (Rosebells, St Helens, Bundanba Rangers)
- Alex Sharp (Booval Stars, Dinmore Bush Rats, Bundanba Rangers)

Born in 1893

The following players are born and serve in WW1

- Tom Tapp Killed in 1918 (Blackstone Rovers, Dinmore Bush Rats Bundanba Rangers)
- Norman Verrall (Dinmore Bush Rats)

New Clubs formed

Booval Enterprises Bundamna Excelsiors Bundanba Riff Raffs Fernvale



Alexander (Sandy)Stewart

| | Club | Matches | Won | Drawn | Loss | For | Against | Points |
|---|---------------------|---------|-----|-------|------|-----|---------|--------|
| 1 | Dinmore Bush Rats | 6 | 5 | 1 | nil | 12 | 3 | 11 |
| 2 | Blackstone Rovers A | 6 | 5 | | 1 | 19 | 4 | 10 |
| 3 | Dinmore | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 10 | 5 |
| 4 | Whitwood | 6 | 1 | | 5 | 4 | 11 | 2 |
| 5 | Blackstone Rovers B | 6 | | | 6 | 1 | 12 | nil |

• The Charity Cup competition commences

Dinmore Bush Rats lose to Rosebank in the Final

(Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Rosebank 5)

The first match at the Exhibition Ground is the Challenge Cup Final

(Dinmore Bush Rats 1 Normans 3)

- Jacob Tapp's homing pidgeons are used to deliver the results to Ipswich on the same day for the first time
- Dinmore Bush Rats win Ipswich Challenge Cup

(Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 1)

- Reverand A Horan elected President of the Association
- Second division commences with the following teams

Bundanba Rangers, Coursers, Silkstone Montes, Booval Enterprises Fernvale, Dinmore, Bush Rats B (Silkstone Montes are Premiers)

- Lewis Thomas becomes Patron of Blackstone Rovers
- John Clowes elected President of Blackstone RoversDave Boulton killed at the Abedare Colliery

New Clubs formed

Booval Stars
Bundanba Rangers
Coursers
Silkstone Montes

Prominent players

(Blackstone Rovers)
Tom Barker
(Dinmore Bush Rats)
George Duck
Joe Skellern
Robert Campbell

Born in 1894

Tom Hainsworth

Tom was selected as a reserve for Australia for the 1924 match against Canada in Brisbane. He was playing for Dinmore Bush Rats at the time
Tom played for St Helens as a Junior and with Dinmore Bush Rats from 19201927. He moved to St Helens in 1928 where he was also Auditor of the club. Tom
Represented Ipswich 22 times and Queensland 14 times
Tom won three Premierships with Dinmore Bus Rats and was Treasurer and
Auditor

Len Warrell

Len was selected as reserve for Australia in 1924 against Canada in Brisbane.He was playing for Dinmore Bush Rats at the time
Len played for St Helens as a Junior
Played with Dinmore Bush Rats from 1921-1929 /St Helens 1930/1931
Represented Ipswich 14 times and Queensland twice
First selected for Queensland in 1924
Len was a selector and Life member of St Helens

The following players are born and serve in WW1

George Armstrong (Silkstone Montes)

Jamieson Bennett (Goodna)

John Cassidy (Ipswich City)

Leonard Foote (Booval Stars)

Richard Jones (Blackstone Rovers)

Nathaniel Kelly (Killed in 1917) (Bundanba Rangers)

William Layton (St Stephens)

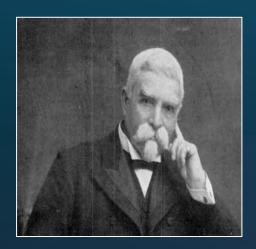
James Lindsay (St Helens, Bundanba Athletic, Bundanba Rangers

Dinmore Bush Rats) Ipswich representative 1921-1925

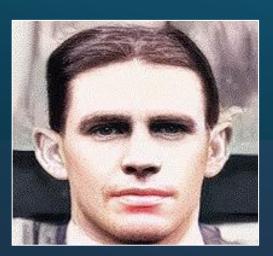
William McClean (Railways, St Stephens)

Arthur Middleton (St Stephens0)

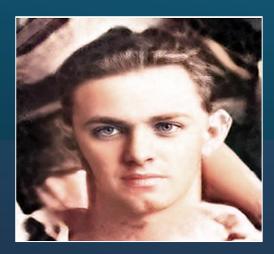
William Peck (Dinmore Bush Rats)







Tom Hainsworth



Len Warrell

QUEENSLAND BRITISH FOOTBALL
ASSOCIATION.
CHALLENGE CUP. FINAL MATCH.
Exhibition Grounds, SATURDAY NEXT,
between Normans (of Brisbane) and Bush Rats
(of Dinmore). Kick-off 3.50 p.m. Admission
to grounds, 8d.; Grand Stand, 6d. extra; ladies
free.
AND. RANKINE, Hon. Sec.



Charity Cup

First Division Ipswich and West Moreton

| | Club | Matches | Won | Drawn | Loss | Points |
|---|-------------------|---------|-----|-------|------|--------|
| 1 | Blackstone Rovers | 3 | 3 | | | 6 |
| 2 | Bush Rats | 3 | 2 | | 1 | 4 |
| 3 | Ipswich | 2 | | | 2 | |
| 4 | Whitwood | 2 | | | 2 | |

Second Division

| Place | Team | Played | Won | Drawn | Loss | Points |
|-------|--------------------|--------|-----|-------|------|--------|
| 1 | Montes | 12 | 10 | | 2 | 20 |
| 2 | Bush Rats B | 12 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 19 |
| 3 | Bundanba Rangers | 12 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 17 |
| 4 | Booval Enterprises | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 13 |
| 5 | Fernvale | 12 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 9 |
| 6 | Coursers | 12 | 2 | | 10 | 4 |
| 7 | Dinmore | 6 | 1 | 5 | | 2 |

Brisbane Challenge Cup

| Place | Team | Played | Won | Drawn | Loss | Points |
|-------|---------------------|--------|-----|-------|------|--------|
| | | | | | | |
| 1 | Normans | 2 | 2 | | | 4 |
| 2 | Bush Rats | 2 | 2 | | | 4 |
| 3 | Blackstone Rovers | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| 4 | Rosebanks | 2 | | | 2 | nil |
| 5 | Brisbane Athletic | 2 | | | 2 | nil |
| 6 | South Brisbane | | | | | |
| 7 | Scottish Volunteers | | | | | |



George Armstrong



Leonard Foote



Richard Jones



Nathaniel Kelly



James Lindsay



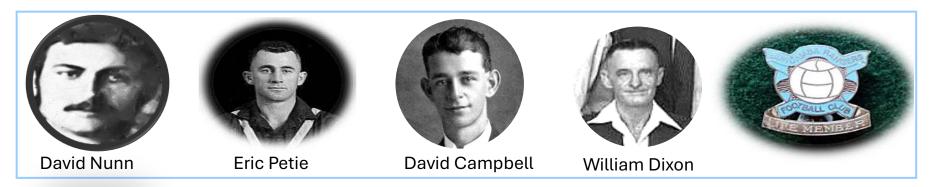
William McClean



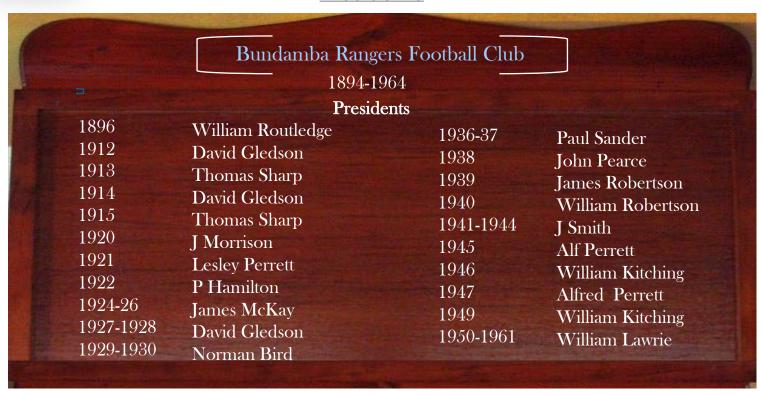
Arthur Middleton

Life Members

Bundamba Rangers



Presidents



Bundamba Rangers Football Club (Presidents)



William Routledge



Thomas Sharp



David Gledson



Lesley Perrett



James McKay



Paul Sander



Alec Gibb



Alfred Perrett



William Kitching



William Lawrie



P Hamilton



John Pearce



John Smith

Population of Ipswich 10,000

- Dinmore Bush Rats are Premiers of the Queensland British Football
 Association They are coached by Tom Barker formerly of Blackstone Rovers
 (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 vs Normans 2)
- T Childs of Ipswich Railways takes the iconic photo of the 1890 Dinmore Bush Rats team. The oldest team photo of an Ipswich club
- Dinmore Bush Rats change their name to Celtics for one month in 1895
- Blackstone Rovers withdraw from the competition
- The Hodgson Cup donated by Joseph Hodgson licensee of the Racehorse Hotel is awarded to the Second Division Cup winners Games were played in the area opposite the then site of the hotel (Dinmore Bush Rats B 4 Bundanba Rangers 2)
- Bundanba Rangers win the Badges as Premiers and are promoted (Bundanba Rangers 3 Dinmore Bush Rats 2)

Queensland Times Saturday 10 August 1946

• The "old Soccer pill" has a long history, but it was not until 1895 that a 'new type" ball made its appearance in the district.Mr Joseph Hodgson, one-time licensee of the Racehorse Hotel, says this six or eight-piece ball, which he presented, was the first of its kind in the district, and it was made by Mr. Frank McMahon, saddler, of Nicholas-street. The ball was won by the Monty's, who played at the back of the Silkstone Baptist Tabernacle.

New Clubs formed

Bremerviews Riverview

Prominent players

Robert Archibald George Marsh

Born in 1895

Arnold Nunn (Dinmore Bush Rats)

Robert Spark (St Helens, Dinmore Bush Rats, North Town United Silkstone Prespyterians, Booval Pompadours, Booval Stars, Bundanba Rangers)

John Williams (St Helens, Blackstone Rovers, Dinmore Bush Rats) (Represented Ipswich 28 times and Qld 13 times)

The following players are born and serve in WW1

Jim Hoare (Raceview Celtics)

Harold Horne (Queens Park Rangers)

William Jeffrey (Dinmore Bush Rats)

Norman Little (Bundanba United)

Harold Livermore (Bundanba Rangers, Ipswich City)

John Mathewson (Bundanba Rangers, Bundanba United)

Alfred Pedley (Dinmore Bush Rats, Bundanba Rangers,

Ipswich representative1921-1928 Queensland representative1923-1928 Cecil Sanger (Dinmore Bush Rats)

Edwin Watkins (Dinmore Bush Rats)

A SSOCIATION FOOTBALL. FINAL TIE, CHALLENGE CUP. NORMANS V. BUSH RATS, EXHIBITION GROUND, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 14th SEPTEMBER. In aid of Charity Cup Fund. Admission to Ground, 1s.; Grand Stand, 6d.; Ladies Free. Kick-off 3.30.

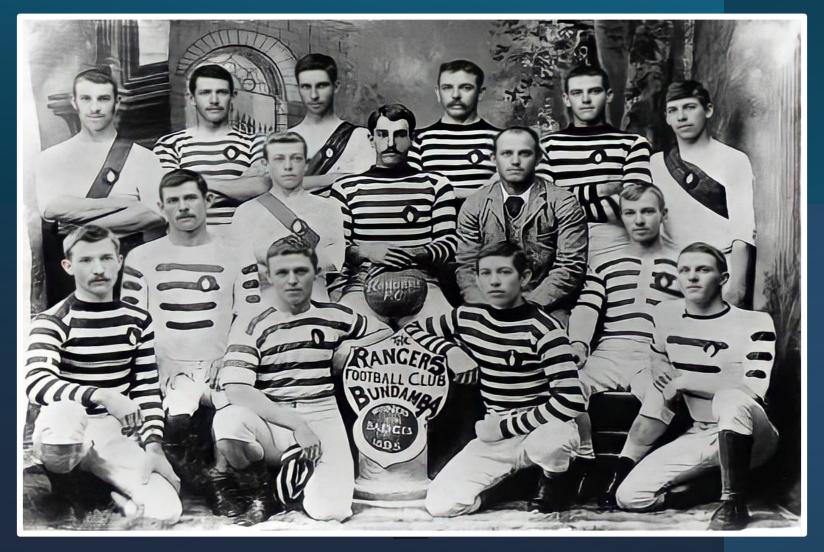
ALLAN C. WYLIE, Hon. Sec.

| Place | Team | Played | Won | Drawn | Loss | Points |
|-------|-------------------|--------|-----|-------|------|--------|
| 1 | Bush Rats | 6 | 5 | 1 | | 11 |
| 2 | Normans | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| 3 | Rosebanks | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| 4 | South Brisbane | 4 | 1 | | 3 | 1 |
| 5 | Brisbane Athletic | 4 | | | 4 | nil |



Dinmore Bush Rats Premiers

Matthew Bailey, William Bailey, John Burns, Robert Campbell Joseph Jeffrey
William Jeffrey, William Lindsay, Joseph Skellern, George Duck, William Wright,
David Frankland, Owen Coleman, Alec Stewart (Captain) Henry Skellern, Edward Hudson, William Caddies
Others: Jack Routledge, James Hughes, James Atterton, James Muir, Richard Price, H. Stewart, Herman Pioch
James Mitchell, Charles Gooch, James Lucas, Thomas Stewart, Jack Whalley, William Hudson, Sydney Skellern

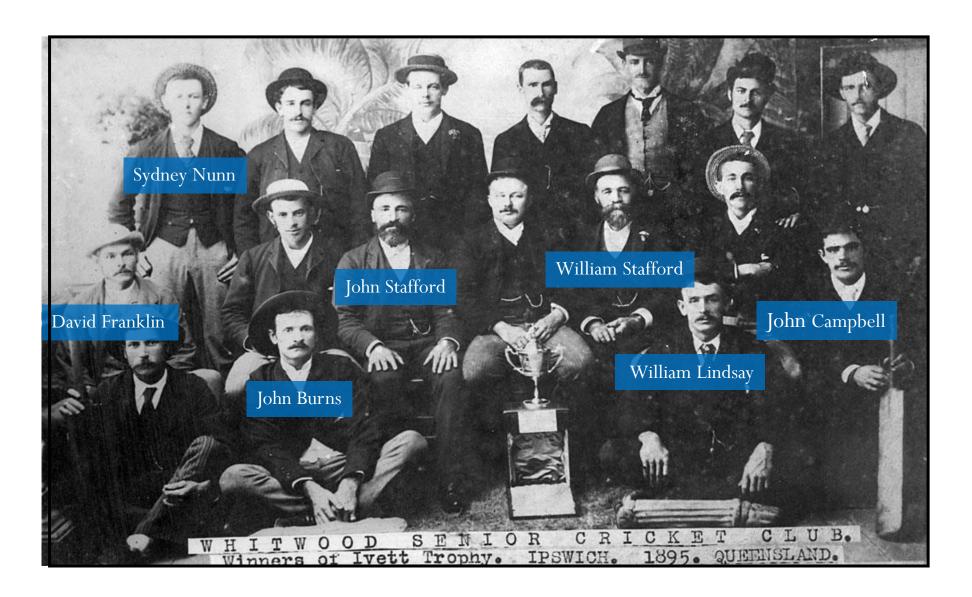


Bundamba Rangers Football Club Winners of the Badges(2nd Division)

Back row (L-R) Aaron Noble(1866-1950) James Dobbie(1874-1950) John Stafford(1877-1942), John Gordon(1863-1916)William Perrett (1875-1947) William Sneddon

Second row- Harry Besgrove (1877-1948) (back) James Lindsay (Captain)(1864-1898) Alf Perrett (1870-1939) (back – Secretary)

Front row and sitting: James Hainsworth(1867-1944), Robert Dobbie(1874-1932)Alexander Dobbie(1874-1931) David Waugh(1873-1941) Ernest Richards (1877-1967)



Dinmore Bush Rats players









William Jeffrey Norman Little Harold Horne Harold Livermore









Cecil Sanger John Mathewson

Alfred Pedley

Edwin Watkins

- Dinmore Bush Rats withdraw from competition and fielded a Junior team that wins Premiership
- Ipswich Rovers win the Brisbane Challenge and Charity Cups played at Queens Park Brisbane. The result being delivered to Ipswich via homing pidgeons owned by Jacob Tapp

Challenge Cup (Ipswich Rovers 5 Normans 2)
Charity Cup (Ipswich Rovers 3 Rosebanks 2)

Team as follows

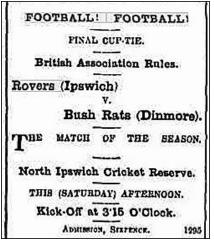
George Shelley (Captain) Sam Shelley, Tom Barker, Charles Marsh George Marsh, Joseph Marsh Richard Price, Andrew Hamilton Norman Clowes John Gambling, A J Thurston, Richard Gee

- George Shelley's house was destroyed by fire prior to the Charity Cup.
- Norman Clowes dies of Typhoid
- J L S Miller elected President of Ipswich Rovers
- Bundanba Rangers join the Brisbane competition
- William Routledge elected President of Bundanba Rangers

New Clubs formed

Ipswich Rovers Football Club

Prominent players
William Potts



Born in 1896

Alexander Burns (Dinmore Bush Rats, Bundanba Rangers)

Ipswich Represetaive matches 15 and Queensland 8
Moses Burton (See separate slide)

Vern Rumble (Dinmore Bush Rats)

Ipswich Representative 6 times and Queensland 6 times <u>Ioseph Skellern (Dinmore Bush Rats, Dinmore Wanderers,</u>

Blackstone Rovers)

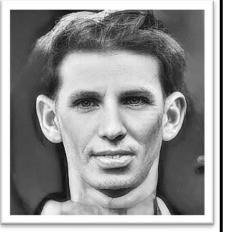
William Warrell Ipswich Representative 12 times and Queensland 7 times

The following players are born and serve in WW1

William Besgrove (Silkstone Montes)
James Burns (Dinmore Bush Rats)
Ipswich representative 1912-1915
William Edwards (Blackstone Rovers)
George McCurry (St Stephens)
George Simpson (Booval Stars, St Stephens)
Isaiah Wilkins (Redbank Seekers)







Alexander Burns Joseph Skellern Vern Rumble



<u>1896</u> Ipswich Rovers

Others:Richard Price, Andrew Hamilton *Norman Clowes, John Gambling, Alfred J Thurston, Richard Amos Gee, Tom Morris, Albert Pheby
Norman Clowes died at 19 years of age of Typhoid one week after receiving his Premiership Medal
Andrew Hamilton was killed in a car accident in 1915
Charles Germhann was Commander of No. 2 Company 5th Contingent Queensland Imperial Bushmen, Boer War

Moses Burton (1896-1975)

Mosie represented Australia on one occasion

Moses immigrated to Queensland from Scotland in 1920 on the Ship "SS Euripides"

He was an Engineer in Scotland and a miner in Ipswich

Mosie played for Bundanba Rangers Premiership team in 1922 and Tristram Shield winners in 1923

He represented Qld against New Zealand in 1923

He was selected in 1923 to play one match against New Zealand in Brisbane as Inside Right



"SS Euripides"

Career

Represented Ipswich five times and Queensland on eight occasions

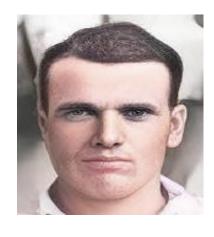
Was a qualified referee and refereed the Ipswich vs New Zealand match

Played Cricket and was Secretary of the Jacaranda Cricket Club



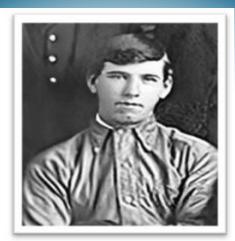
Moses Australian cap







Willam Besgrove



James Burns



William Edwards



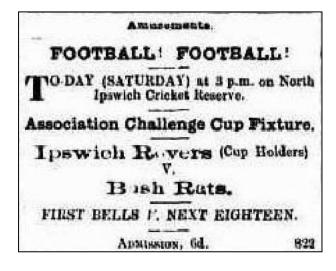
George McCurry



George Simpson

- A J Stephenson elected President of Ipswich Rovers
- Thomas Brisdon Cribb, M.L.A is elected Patron of Ipswich Rovers
- Ipswich Rovers win the Junior Premiership
- Ipswich Rovers defeated 1 nil by Rosebanks in Challenge Cup Final
- Ipswich Rovers defeated 4-2 by Rosebanks in Chalrity Cup Final
- The first mention of a Schoolboy match is between Bundanba and East Ipswich
- William Woolley becomes the first Woolley to play in Ipswich when he plays for Ipswich Rovers. Nineteen Woolley family members will play. Mostly for Blackstone Rovers

Prominent players



Born in 1897

Norman Edwards (Blackstone Rovers)
William Nunn (Dinmore Bush Rats,Blackstone Rovers
Silkstone Presbyterians,St Helens)
William Oliver (see separate slide)

Arthur Williams (Blackstone Rovers, Dinmore Bush Rats)

The following players are born and serve in WW1

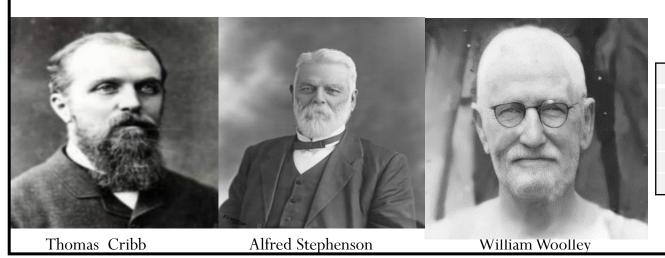
George Allan (Bundanba Athletic)

Joseph Auld (Rosebells)

Henry Frost (Blackstone Rovers, Silkstone Montes) Henry Hill (StStephens)

Percival Hodge (Dinmore Bush Rats, Bundanba Rangers Bundanba United)

Robert Mathewson (Blackstone Rovers, St Helens) Albert Warren (Blackstone Rovers)



| Place | Team | Played | Won | Drawn | Loss | G | Goals | Points |
|-------|-------------------|--------|-----|-------|------|----|-------|--------|
| 1 | Rosebanks | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 22 | 5 | 11 |
| 2 | Blackstone Rovers | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 11 | 10 |
| 3 | Bundanba Rangers | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 7 |
| 4 | Normans | 6 | | 0 | 6 | 1 | 19 | nil |
| 5 | Bush Rats | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 11 | nil |

William (Sally) Oliver (1897-1974)

William represented Australia twelve times

William was selected in 1931 to tour the Dutch East Indies and played Left Back.

He played for Bundanba Rangers when selected.

William played 12 matches in 22 days on the tour

Career

Selected for Queensland Junior team in 1922

Played four times for Qld and was captain in 1930

Played Junior with St Helens and also played for Bundanba Athletic, Bundanba United and Bundanba Rangers

Represented Ipswich 22 times and was captain in 1932

Captain of the 1931 Bundamba Rangers' Premiership side and member of the 1927,1928,1936, 1937 and 1938 Premiership teams.

Captain/Coach of the 1936 Bundanba Rangers' Premiership side

Founded Strollers Cricket Club

Bill's son Gary was a Qld Schools Junior Representative and Ipswich Kruger Cup player

TOUR OF JAVA - 1931

Four New South Wales players were suspended for life by the NSW Association for going on this tour.

NSW was in dispute over various issues with the Australian Association

The tour took place in late August – September and the bans were subsequently lifted in January 1932 after the squabbling parties resolved their differences. This was reported as an unhappy tour as there was a player revolt over payment and conversion to local currency.

Selection issues also marred the tour. On the ship home an argument between players saw a chair that had been purchased as set of three was thrown overboard.

*Three Ipswich players toured Richard James, Russ Buchanan and William Oliver

*Alec (Buller)Kitching was nominated by the QSFA and was considered unlucky not to be selected





Sam Shelley selected Captain of the Queensland team
 Matthew Bailey appointed to Queensland team Management
 Selected for Queensland
 (Blackstone Rovers) Sam Shelley, Tom Morris, Andrew Hamilton, George Marsh
 (Dinmore Bush Rats) Jack Routledge
 (Bundmaba Rangers) Alexander Dobbie, James Dobbie

- The first Ipswich representative match against NSW (Ipswich nil New South Wales 3)
- Ipswich vs Brisbane matches
 (Ipswich 2 Brisbane 2)
 (Ipswich 6 Brisbane 2)
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Challenge and Charity Cups
 Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Ipswich Rovers 1)
 Charity Cup Dinmore Bush Rats won the trophy after a replay was
 ordered after a 3all draw with Bundanba Rangers.Rangers could not field
 a team due to the death of James Lindsay and the funeral was on the same
 day as the match was scheduled
 Edwin Hawkins and Arthur Wilson win the first of there eleven
 Premierships the most of any player
- James Lindsay dies at the age of 24
- Alex and Joseph Kitching moves to Ipswich and becomes the first Kitching's to play in Ipswich. They play for Bundanba Rangers. The Kitching dynasty produces forty players including four Internationals

Prominent players

A Spencer
William Wright
Sam Shelley
Tom Morris
Andrew Hamilton
Charles Marsh
George Marsh
(Bundanba Rangers)
Alexander Dobbie
James Dobbie
(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Jack Routledge
James Lucas
Herbert Verrall

Joe Jeffrey Henry.Skellern

Henry.Skellern
Joe Skellern

Born in 1898

| Place | Team | Played | Won | Drawn | Loss | Go | als | Points |
|-------|-------------------|--------|-----|-------|------|----|-----|--------|
| 1 | Bush Rats | 9 | 8 | | 1 | 19 | 3 | 16 |
| 2 | Blackstone Rovers | 9 | 7 | | 2 | | | 14 |
| 3 | Rosebanks | 9 | 3 | | 6 | | | 6 |
| 4 | Normans | 8 | 3 | | 5 | | | 6 |
| 5 | Bundanba Rangers | 9 | 2 | | 7 | | | 4 |

Rrichana Cricket Cround was first used as a Soccer Cround



Bundamba Rangers -1898-

James Lindsay (Captain) Harry Besgrove, Alexander Dobbie James Dobbie, Robert Dobbie, David Gledson, Joseph Kitching William Lindsay, William Perrett, George Seymour, Robert Archibald Others Adam Kitching, William Denton



Joe Skellern



Arthur Wilson



William Dawes



Joe Jeffrey



Alexander Stewart





Robert Dobbie



William Perrett



Alexander Dobbie



James Dobbie



Harry Besgrove



David Gledson

Queensland Imperial Bushmen (Boer War) (1899-1902)

The 5th were constantly in touch with the enemy and beside innumerable small skirmishes, mention maybe made of operations of 24 and 25 May at Klipfontein and Mooifontein and Mokari Drift. The 5th also were in operations at the Natal Border Campaign and also at Onverwacht



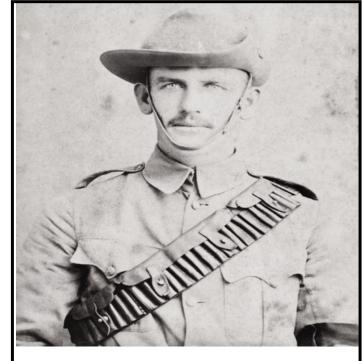
David Robert Lilley (1879-1951)

Born Manchester

Private (125)

5th Contingent Queensland Imperial Bushmen

(Dinmore Bush Rats)



Charles Gerhmann (1874-1959)
Commander of No. 2 Company
5th Contingent
Queensland Imperial Bushmen
Served: Transvaal, Orange River and Cape Colony

(Ipswich Rovers)



William Potts(1877-1962)
Corporal (292)
5th Contingent
Queensland Imperial Bushmen

(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Queensland Imperial Bushmen (Boer War) (1899-1902)



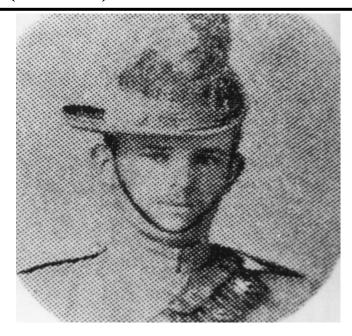
Michael Egan (1876-1967)

Private (233)

5th Contingent Queensland Imperial Bushmen

(WW1) Private 52 nd Battalion)

(Dinmore Bush Rats)



George Seymour (1878-1952) Private (77) First Contingent Queensland Mounted Infantry

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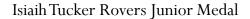
December 1899 - December 1900 in northwest Cape Colony including victory over rebel band at Sunnyside 1 January 1900, relief of Douglas 2 January 1900, relief of Kimberley February 1900 Slightly wounded at Constantia 5 May 1900. Free State, and east Transvaal Medals:Queen's South Africa Medal with clasps

(Bundamba Rangers)

- Dinmore Bush Rats are Champions, Challenge Cup and Charity Cup Winners
- Bundanba Rangers win Junior Premiership
- George Seymour enlists in Boer War
- R Kelly appointed President of the Association after a meeting at the Prince Alfred Hotel. The Patron is his Excelleny Lord Lamington
- Howard Rovers visit Ipswich and play Dinmore Bush Rats







New Clubs formed

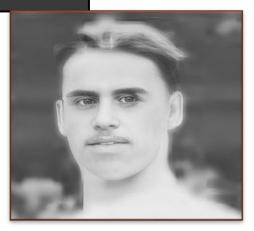
Anchorss Bundanba Starlights Royals F.C

Prominent players

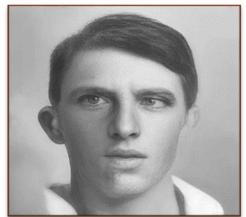
Born in 1899

Matthew Bognuda (Dinmore Bush Rats Dinmore Wanderers, Rustlers) Cliff Gedge Percy Pedley (Booval Stars, Bundanba Rangers) Bush Rats, Blackstone Rovers) Norman Randolph Arthur Skellern

The following players are born and serve in WW1 Andrew McKenna (Bundanba Rangers, Blackstone Rovers) John Routledge ((Bundanba Rangers)







John Routledge

| | Club | Matches | Won | Drawn | Loss | Points |
|---|-------------------|---------|-----|-------|------|--------|
| 1 | Bush Rats | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| 2 | Bundamba Rangers | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| 3 | Blackstone Rovers | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

<u>Cliff Gedge (1899-1973)</u>

Cliff represented Australia three times

Cliff was selected in 1923 for Australia against New Zealand at Left Back.

Cliff was the first player born in Ipswich to be selected

Career

Represented Queensland Schoolboys in 1912

Represented Ipswich against a Chinese XI in 1923

Represented Ipswich and Qld against New Zealand in 1923

Represented Ipswich 8 times and Queensland on 4 occasions

Played for Dinmore Bushrats when selected in 1923 and was in the 1923 and 1925 Premiership teams

Turned to Goalkeeping after a knee injury

Played for Booval Stars, Bundamba Athletics, and was in the 1922 Bundamba Rangers Premiership team

Represented Ipswich in Cricket

Cliff was selected by Johnny Peebles in his best Australian team from 1922-1933



