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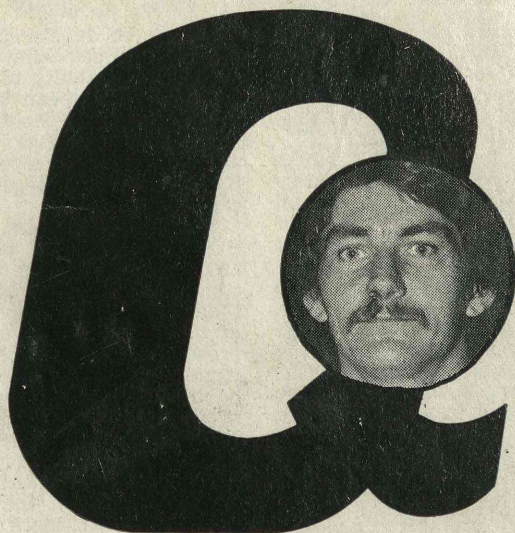
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A CENTENARY CLASH:

NIVEN IS THE KEY TO A MAROON WIN

By Go Soccer writer Mark Bridgen

Brisbane Lions defender and discarded Socceroo Alan Niven could hold the key to a Queensland win over New South Wales in the Centenary interstate match at Perry Park on Sunday.

The NSW squad named by former national player and now coach, Johnny Watkiss lacks a recognised right flanker which will allow Niven to demonstrate all his attacking flair.

The former Wolves player is at his most dangerous when going forward and his 'sweet left foot' can put a cross right onto a player's head — and in this case more likely than not the reliable head of Stephen Glockner.

And it is down the left flank, where the less experienced Robert Wheatley will be at rightback, that Queensland must concentrate to stand any chance of upsetting the talented NSW side that is bristling with talent.

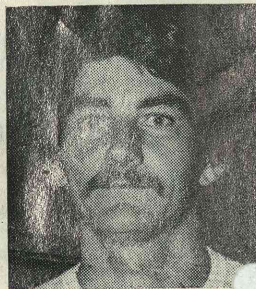
With Arno Bertogna and Dave Ratcliffe in the centre of the backs, Queensland cannot expect to make much progress down the middle, nor with the likes of Peter Raskopoulos, Peter Katholos and Peter Stone in the NSW engine room can they expect to play it through the midfield.

From the squad Watkiss has announced it appeared likely he intended to play a standard 4-3-3. Leichhardt's Greg Woodhouse will probably get the nod in goals while the back four is set to be Wheatley, Bertogna, Ratcliffe and winger - turned - fullback, Graham Jennings.

As mentioned, the 'three Peters' will be the midfield — although Paul Kay could come in for Raskopoulos if he is not fit. I expect the forward line to be John Kosmina and Marshall Soper down the middle with Phil O'Connor wide on the left.

To beat such a combination, Queensland coach Bruce Stowell should, in my opinion, play the following team: Kim Wishart, Steve Perry, Peter Tokesi, Frank Liddell, Allan Hunter, Alan Niven, Steve Hogg, Frank Pimblett, Russell Stewart, Bobby Hamilton, Stephen Glockner.

Most people's first remark is that the side contains five defenders and must



● ALAN NIVEN

therefore be defensive. But with Niven given a free attacking role, the side not only has the ability to soak up pressure at the back but can throw as many as five players into the front line.

While Acacia Ridge's Robbie Farrow is a talented young keeper, Brisbane City's Kim Wishart must get the nod on his experience alone.

The back four must be based on the Brisbane City unit, which currently is among the best in the NSL. No-one comes near Perry at rightback and Liddell has the sweeper's position sewn up. Tokesi is a big game player, as he proved against Victoria but Hunter's form of late has been faultless and having to decide between the two is a needless decision.

With Niven pushing forward, Hunter, a natural left footed player, can easily cover at left back. Alternatively, when Queensland is on the defence, Hunter and Tokesi can mark man-for-man on Kosmina and Soper, leaving Liddell to pick up the scraps. In fact Hunter has a score to settle with Kosmina that dates back to the opening game of the season.

Playing four across the middle not only helps overcome the talent of Katholos and Co. but it provides Queensland with the necessary width to attack NSW on the flanks.

Pimblett, undoubtedly the best player in Australia not in a national squad, and Stewart should be the middle two. Stewart would hold the team together while Pimblett would be free for the playmaker role he does so well. Together theirs is a combination of experience and enthusiasm, brains and brashness, passing and tackling.

The wide men, who are vital to providing support for the lone forward —

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who must on form be Glockner — have to be Hogg and Hamilton. Hogg is ideal for the right midfield job as his great tackling ability will be needed to curb the attacking threat of Jennings and O'Connor on the NSW left.

And Hoggie's skill and high workrate are the ideal ingredients for a player who will be needed to constantly ply up and down the right touch line.

Hamilton, as he does so regularly and effectively for City, would do the same on the left. The wee man, who would have the support and back-up of Niven, has an uncanny ability to get to the byline and play a neat cross back.

As a lone striker, Glockner will get a lot of attention from Ratcliffe and Bertogna, but for the plan to work, Queensland should realise this and use the youngster as a decoy. The crosses should be looking for the likes of Pimblett, Stewart and of course Niven coming through. And those players should pressure Woodhouse — who is still not back to his best — with a continual barrage of low shots to exploit his slowness in getting to the ground.

While I believe Queensland could beat NSW in such a way, one must be realistic enough to accept Stowell is highly unlikely to name five defenders. Although his job is about winning, it is also about public relations and criticism would fly from all quarters if he named five defenders.

I would expect him then to name a 4-4-2 with the young Hunter 'getting his chance next time.' I would still expect him to play four across the middle which means he must find another forward in a squad relatively devoid of such specialists.

Personally I think Barry Kelso is ideal for such a rough, physical match as I expect it to be, but as he isn't in the squad, four players are battling for the position — City's Billy Williamson, Joe Cairney and Alan Hughes and Lions' Danny Wright.

I would expect Stowell to go for Williamson or Hughes but I believe, considering that the width will be provided by the midfielders, I would select Wright. As it appears unlikely Queensland could cause any damage to NSW by playing high balls down the middle, the ball control and dribbling skills of Wright and Glockner could be a most lethal weapon.

But one thing is for sure, whatever

Queensland team is put on the park, it will give 100 percent and with the right support from the crowd a win is within its reach.

Go Soccer wishes Bruce Stowell and the team the best of luck.

THE HISTORY

Queensland's match against New South Wales will be the 71st encounter between the two states since the first match in Sydney in 1880 — which incidentally ended in a 1-1 draw.

New South Wales has by far the better record, having won 44 of the matches to Queensland's 17. Nine games have been drawn.

But although New South Wales has won considerably more matches, the narrowness of the margins is indicated by the fact that Queensland is not too far behind in the goal tallies.

In 70 matches Queensland has scored 138 goals—fractionally under an average of two a game—while NSW has netted 150 times.

Surprisingly it is 26 years since Queensland last defeated the Blues. The Maroons won 3-1 in a match played in Brisbane.

The last clash between the two sides was at Perry Park in 1978 when the match finished in a 2-2 draw. Queensland was coached by Denis Ford and 'Uncle' Joe Vlasits was in charge of NSW.

The teams that day were:
QUEENSLAND: Nigel Lownds, Steve Perry, Col Bennett, Jim Hermiston, Alan Niven, Steve Amos, George Potter, Larry Gaffney, Steve Dolan, Barrie Fairbrother and Barry Kelso. Reserves, Kim Wishart, Alan Marley, John Paterson, Ron Millman.

NEW SOUTH WALES: Todd Clarke, Kevin Mullen, Steve O'Connor, John O'Shea, Paul Degney, Murray Barnes, Peter Stone, Peter Sharne, Clive Eaton, Phil O'Connor, Craig Hall. Reserves, Barry Hoare, Terry Butler and Sebastian Giampaolo.

Queensland went to a two goal lead with goals in the 37th and 68th minutes from Dolan and Fairbrother respectively but NSW replied with two goals in four minutes late in the second half to share the spoils. Clarke was NSW's best while Hermiston was the man of the match.

MEET THE MAROON MEN

Here are pen pictures of the players in the Queensland squad for the Centenary interstate clash against New South Wales at Perry Park on Sunday.

KIM WISHART: Age, 26. Position, Goalkeeper. Club, Brisbane City. A former Ipswich player who made his first team debut for St. Helen's at 16 years. Has been a regular in Queensland squads but often just missed out on final selection. Recently rated best in Australia by Rale Rasic.

STEVE PERRY: Age, 28. Position, Right Fullback. Club, Brisbane City. He has played for Australia 25 times and won 12 full caps. Born in Sydney and played for Sutherland and Wests before coming to Queensland in 1978 for a \$6,000 transfer. Always consistent.

PETER TOKESI: Age, 29. Position, Defender. Club, Brisbane City. A former Budapest Grovelly player who has been playing in top-line soccer in Queensland for the past 10 years. Has won his way back into the City and Queensland team after going on loan to Waves in 1981. A solid tackler and strong attacking header.

FRANK LIDDELL: Age, 29. Position, Central Defender. Club, Brisbane City. Former Stirling, Alloa and Hearts player who since coming to Australia last year has established himself as one of the most consistent defenders in the National League. An aggressive player who dominates in the air.

ALLAN HUNTER: Age, 18. Position, Defender. Club, Brisbane Lions. A former member of the Queensland Youth team who is undoubtedly the most improved player in Queensland this season. Has come into the Lions team as a replacement for Col Bennett and won accolades from all quarters. A strong defender who has surprising skill for a big man.

ALAN NIVEN: Age, 26. Position, Left Fullback. Club, Brisbane Lions. A former Socceroo with a handful of national team caps and a similar number for Queensland. A former Wolves player who came to Australia in 1976. Has a brilliant left foot and at his best when coming forward.

RUSSELL STEWART: Age, 18. Position, Midfield. Club, Brisbane Lions. Was a key player in the Young Socceroo team which qualified for Mexico and one of the state's most promising youngsters. A confident player with a high workrate and fine passing ability.

FRANK PIMBLETT: Age, 26. Position, Midfield. Club, Brisbane City. One of the most under-rated players outside Queensland but recognised here as the most consistent midfielder in Queensland. Reads the game beautifully and

plays inch-perfect passes. The likely Queensland captain and a key player.

STEVE HOGG: Age, 23. Position, Midfield. Club, Brisbane Lions. One of the strongest tacklers in Australia and has ability to win a ball most would not contest. A tireless worker with full and Youth team caps. Came to Queensland from Canberra in 1979 and has been one of Lions best players since.

ALLAN HUGHES: Age, 29. Position, Midfield/Striker. Club, Brisbane City. A former Brisbane Lions player who came to City this season from Leichhardt. Played with Stenhousemuir, St. Mirren and Derby before coming to Australia six years ago.

BOBBY HAMILTON: Age, 28. Position, Midfield. Club, Brisbane City. Born in Glasgow and played for Motherwell for in 1980. The first game he saw in three years before coming to Australia Queensland was the Maroons against AC Milan and now he's looking forward to playing for his adopted State. A skilful attacking midfielder.

DANNY WRIGHT: Age, 18. Position, striker. Club, Brisbane Lions. Another member of the Australian Youth team which played so brilliantly in Costa Rica. Made his National League debut at 15 years and seven months — the youngest player ever. Has been at Lions since he was 12 years old and played at Oxley before that. Was at the Australian Institute of Sport and in 1981 trialled with Chelsea and Preston in England.

BILLY WILLIAMSON: Age, 30. Position, Midfielder/Striker. Club, Brisbane City. A former Aberdeen, Dundee United player who came to Lions in 1981 but transferred to City this year. A fine dribbler of the ball who often creates more goals than he scores.

STEPHEN GLOCKNER: Age, 18. Position, Striker. Club, Brisbane City. Won his way into contention for the Youth team with some brilliant displays for City this season. First began playing for Annerley but after four years went to Souths United for a season then transferred to City. Missed national youth championships because of injury in 1982 but his form at NSL level since, has marked him as one of the most promising young strikers in the country.

ROBBIE FARROW: Age, 20. Position, Goalkeeper. Club, Acacia Rdge. The Ridge's longest serving player. A talented young goalkeeper with a promising future.

MEET THE NSW PLAYERS

Here are brief pen pictures on the New South Wales players likely to take the field against Queensland.

GREG WOODHOUSE: Age, 23. Position, Goalkeeper. Club, Leichhardt. A veteran of 11 full internationals, 24 Australia team appearances and 11 Youth team appearances. Was first choice goalkeeper under Rudi Gutendorf but now is starting to regain that form after a slump last year.

STEVE WATSON: Age, 22. Position, Goalkeeper. Club, Sydney Croatia. Conceded only 10 goals in 26 games in the NSW State League last season. Despite his huge frame he is particularly agile. Has won his way into caretaker national coach Frank Arok's training squad.

ROBERT WHEATLEY: Age, 22. Position, Right Fullback. Club, Blacktown. Has made 17 Youth team appearances including 15 full caps. Was a key player in Australia's 1981 Youth side and was on the brink of breaking into the full national squad. Has a good rightfoot and scored three times last season from fullback.

MICHAEL O'SHEA: Age, 32. Position, Defender. Club, St. George. Former Canberra City player who belies his age with consistently good performances at the back, now for St. George. One of the few older players in the squad.

DAVID RATCLIFFE: Age, 26. Position, Central Defender. Club, St. George. Former Brisbane City and Bradford (UK) player who has only received his deserved recognition since moving to Sydney. Very powerful in the air. Now an Australian international.

ENO BERTOGNA: Age, 23. Position, Central Defender. Club, Leichhardt. Has made 13 appearances in the green and gold and a member of the current squad. Began at Newcastle but played at Wollongong before Leichhardt. Comes forward on set moves.

GRAHAM JENNINGS: Age, 23. Position, Left Fullback. Club, Sydney Olympic. A former left winger who has 12 National League goals to his credit. Has been converted to a left fullback this season with great success and has resulted in his winning representative honours for the first time.

PETER STONE: Age, 28. Position, Midfield. Club, St. George. Former Leichhardt player with 10 National caps

to his credit. Has scored six NSL goals and helps dictate the tempo of play.

PETER KATHOLOS: Age, 22. Position, Midfield. Club, Sydney Olympic. Former St. George player who was the star of the 1981 Youth team and has since broken into the full National side. Scored nine goals last season but has a total of 19 in the past four National League seasons. A skilful, talented player and potential match winner.

PETER RASKOPOULOS: Age, 21. Position, Midfield. Club, Sydney Olympic. Has played 17 Youth internationals and scored four goals at Youth level and now a candidate for the full national team. Has been hampered by injury this season but is a dangerous, free-scoring player when in form.

JOHN KOSMINA: Age, 26. Position, Central Striker. Club, Sydney City. The NSW and Australian captain. A veteran of nearly 50 appearances for the Socceroo and Australia's fifth top scorer at international level. A regular goal-grabber at NSL level with a total of 34 to the end of last season. Has a great turn and a brilliant finisher. The man to watch.

MARSHALL SOPER: Age, 22. Position, Striker. Club, Sydney Olympic. Switched from Leichhardt to Olympic this season and in recent weeks has come into goal-scoring form. A former Newcastle boy, he has netted 25 goals in the past two NSL seasons.

MARK JANKOVICS: Age, 27. Position, Striker. Club, Marconi. Another seasoned international with 14 caps and a total of 30 National team appearances. Is one of the all-time top NSL scorers with 61 goals to his credit to the end of last season and never can be discounted.

PHIL O'CONNOR: Age, 29. Position, Winger. Club, Wollongong. A gifted player with fine skills and a good turn of speed. Scored 26 goals for St. George, 17 for Leichhardt and 16 for Wollongong last season. Has 10 full caps and 17 National team appearances.

Coach, JOHNNY WATKISS: Veteran of 31 National team appearances and 23 full caps. Now coach of successful NSW State League side Sutherland. First time as NSW coach.

EDITORIAL

This weekend's full interstate clash with New South Wales is long, long overdue and is certainly a step in the right direction towards improving the code's standing in Queensland sport.

Interstate matches are the life-blood of other codes and often the highlight of the season for many supporters.

The fact that it has been four years since Queensland last played New South Wales in a full interstate match is disappointing and disturbing. The Queensland Soccer Federation management committee cannot be commended too highly for seeking a return to this type of football.

From talking to people within the code there is obviously a considerable amount of support for interstate matches. In our series on the 'Maroon Men', which featured small stories on some of the players in the Queensland squad, we kept getting the same view from the players that they enjoyed playing for the state and wanted more interstate matches.

They all said it was an honour to pull on a maroon shirt.

The spectators too want interstate football. It would be very surprising if this Sunday's match did not attract a good crowd and among the spectators, people who have not been seen at a soccer game in many seasons.

The state federations obviously want interstate football as both New South Wales and Victoria jumped at Queensland's invitation for a game.

It is plainly obvious that the four year drought of interstate football has been caused by the National League. NSL clubs do not want their players to participate in representative football at this level.

And that is both a disappointing attitude and a sad reflection on the game.

Criticism has been quite vocal in the south following the postponement of this weekend's National League fixtures to allow the interstate match to go ahead — criticism from club officials.

Surely it is about time that Australian soccer was not controlled by the officials of 16 select clubs. Granted, the National League is very important to the development of soccer in Australia, but so too is regular interstate representative matches.

What has to be done is a program mapped out well in advance, incorporating NSL matches and interstate football.

And with the National League now undergoing regionalisation and a change in format, it is an excellent time for such a program to be initiated. Interstate football would help break-up the week to week monotony of National League for both the spectators and the players and provide an excellent vehicle for promoting the code.

Some have even suggested an interstate championship, possibly at the start or end of the season. The idea has a lot of merit and would work if it got the support of all sections of the code.

Queensland has made the breakthrough in reviving interstate football and our two matches this year are being closely watched by other state federations.

Irrespective of the result this weekend — and as Queenslanders we all hope for a Maroon victory — the Queensland Soccer Federation is on a winner.

Points to ponder

It is interesting to note that two members of the last Queensland side to play New South Wales are now successful coaches. Jim Hermiston with Brisbane City and George Potter at North Star. And indications are another member of that team, who has been dogged by injury this season and played not more than a handful of games, is close to hanging up his boots and making the same move.

Some members of the state squad are very reluctant to reveal their ages. They all seem to use experienced Brisbane City

defender Peter Tokesi as a yardstick. "Whatever Peter said he is, I'm four years younger," was a common reply. Tokesi is adamant he's 29 — which makes for a pretty young Queensland team, if you use the players' rule of thumb.

Many people are still wondering just exactly what soccer skill state coach Bruce Stowell was demonstrating when his colourful picture appeared in a recent Sunday newspaper. It looked very much like an Australian rules handpass.

THE WEEKEND'S TEAMS

PREMIER LEAGUE — ROUND SEVEN

BRISBANE CITY v OLYMPIC

Spencer Park
Saturday, 3 p.m.

BRISBANE CITY	OLYMPIC
.... GLENN AHERN	1 M. CALOGERAKIS
.... PAUL McCLURE	2 MIKE CERNAKA
.... PAUL SCHAIVO	3 CRAIG SCHNEIDER
.... A. SALVATORE	4 M. McNAUGHTON
.... PAUL BARRY	5 GRAHAM WILSON
.... GEORGE CAIRD	6 PETER TYSON
.... D. VINCENZINO	7 S. KONSTANTINOU
.... GARY BROMFIELD	8 NICK KRITICOU
.... BEVAN BOHAN	9 ANDY OGDEN
.... WILLIE CONNER	10 TOM MCGREGOR
.... ANGELO FALCO	11 CRAIG LOW
.... ANDY CHAPMAN	.... JIM BELLIS
.... LEE SCRIGGINS	.... MARTIN TILLEY
.... JOHN KOWTAN	.... GEORGE VASILIOU
.... PAUL SLEIGHT	.... NICK NICOLAOU
.... F. GUGLIELMINO	.... JOHN GORZA

Scores: H.T. F.T.
Scorers:

VALLEY TRIDENT v NORTH STAR

Murray Street
Saturday, 3 p.m.

VALLEY TRIDENT	NORTH STAR
.... MARTIN COE	.... PETER ROBERTS
.... JOHN LAVELLE	.... ANTHONY POLITIS
.... DAVE MELIA	.... WERNER FRISKE
.... JOHN SHEPHERD	.... SULLY MAITRE
.... RICH. SHORTMAN	.... MICHAEL McEVOY
.... SHANE RIDEOUT	.... BRIAN SAMPSON
.... GERRY LINDSAY	.... JOHN DOYLE
.... DAVE OSBORNE	.... PETER CARTER
.... FRANK MENGOTTI	.... ALAN EDWARDS
.... TOM PIKE	.... MICHAEL TRIPP
.... LEN POLLOCK	.... DAVID MOORE
.... PETER CAREY	.... TOD WHISSON
.... MAX CIOBO	.... LYLE BRYCE
.... IAN RATHMELL	.... SHANE SCRIGGINS
.... TONY IOVENETTI	.... IAIN FAGAN
.... BEN TOGNINI	.... ALAN SINCLAIR
.... JOE LALLY	.... IAN GENTLES

Scores: H.T. F.T.
Scorers:

ACACIA RIDGE v TARINGA

Mortimer Road
Saturday, 3 p.m.

ACACIA RIDGE	TARINGA
.... ROB FARROW	.... CARL SPRUCE
.... MAL EVANS	.... GEOFF DAUNT
.... DAVE ARMSTRONG	.... GAVAN ALDER
.... STU. HOLMES	.... JOHN KRUK
.... IAN PROUD	.... CLINT WILKINSON
.... NORM BELL	.... GLENN DAVIS
.... GERRY KAYE	.... ALAN EEDY
.... JOHN GILLESPIE	.... PAUL LASLO
.... JIM SPENCE	.... GAVAN STITT
.... JOHN KEANE	.... CRAIG BRIMSON
.... N. CRUICKSHANK	.... MIKE SAVAGE
.... GERRY McMAHON	.... SYD STEVENSON
.... MICK GERRITSEN	.... VIC HAZELDINE
.... PETER GERRITSEN	.... MARTIN GREEN
.... GARY WEIR	....
.... STEVE DONALD	....

Scores: H.T. F.T.
Scorers:

GRANGE THISTLE v LIONS

Lanham Park
Saturday, 7 p.m.

GRANGE THISTLE	LIONS
.... DAVE GALLAGHER	.... GREG MARSHALL
.... MARK APONAS	.... TONY SCANLAN
.... G. BUCHANAN	.... PETER McCLURG
.... JOHN RIBONE	.... STEVE JACKSON
.... JIM CAMERON	.... ROD VASQUEZ
.... STEVE DOLAN	.... ANDY LEE
.... KEN SWAN	.... JOHN OGDEN
.... ROSS SWAN	.... CLARK ANDERSON
.... JOHN PATERSON	.... STEVE FULTON
.... WILSON MAELAU	.... FRANK BYRNE
.... TONY BAILEY	.... BRAD KEARTON
.... GARTH MOLONEY JOHN MIRANDA
.... JOHN RUSSELL MICHAEL MULVEY
.... GLEN ARCHER

Scores: H.T. F.T.
Scorers:

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PREMIER LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Olympic	6	5	1	—	11	6	11
Easts	6	5	—	1	9	3	10
Thistle	5	4	1	—	14	4	9
Mt. Gravatt	5	3	1	1	14	5	7
Ipswich	5	2	1	2	10	10	5
Acacia Ridge	5	2	—	3	8	10	4
Valley Trident	5	1	2	2	4	7	4
Sunnyside	5	1	2	2	6	9	4
North Star	5	1	1	3	6	9	3
Lions	5	1	—	4	4	8	2
Taringa	5	1	—	4	7	14	2
Brisbane City	5	—	1	4	5	13	1

PREMIER RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Acacia Ridge	6	4	2	—	12	3	10
Mt. Gravatt	5	4	—	1	18	5	8
Thistle	5	4	—	1	12	3	8
Ipswich	5	2	3	—	8	2	7
Lions	5	3	1	1	7	3	7
Easts	6	2	2	2	9	8	6
Nth. Star	5	3	—	2	8	8	6
Valley Trident	5	1	3	1	7	7	5
Brisbane City	5	1	—	4	6	9	2
Taringa	5	—	2	3	4	11	2
Sunnyside	6	—	2	4	4	20	2
Olympic	6	—	1	5	0	15	1

PREMIER COLTS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ipswich	5	5	—	—	13	3	10
Easts	5	4	—	1	9	5	8
Lions	5	3	—	2	21	6	6
Mt. Gravatt	4	3	—	1	9	5	6
Valley Trident	5	2	2	1	10	7	6
Brisbane City	5	3	—	2	9	7	6
Acacia Ridge	5	2	1	2	6	6	5
Taringa	5	2	—	3	6	9	4
Thistle	5	—	1	4	7	6	3
North Star	5	2	1	2	9	10	3
Olympic	6	1	1	4	6	10	3
Sunnyside	4	—	—	4	2	25	0

These tables are independently compiled and although all care is taken some inaccuracies may occur. For official confirmation clubs should contact The Q.S.F. office.

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wynnum	5	5	—	—	20	2	10
Goodna	5	4	1	—	14	6	9
Coalstars	6	2	2	1	10	6	8
Newmarket	6	3	2	1	12	9	8
Mitchelton	5	3	1	1	10	4	7
Annerley	5	3	1	1	8	3	7
Bardon	6	2	2	2	11	10	6
Rochedale	5	2	1	2	8	15	3
Redcliffe	4	1	—	3	4	10	2
Darra	5	1	—	4	6	12	2
Pine Rivers	5	—	—	5	5	15	—
Nambour	5	—	—	5	5	21	—

FIRST DIVISION RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mitchelton	6	5	—	1	21	7	10
Coalstars	6	4	1	1	17	5	9
Rochedale	5	4	1	—	17	5	9
Wynnum	5	4	—	1	20	7	8
Darra	5	2	2	1	9	8	6
Annerley	5	2	1	2	15	7	5
Redcliffe	5	2	1	2	12	9	5
Goodna	6	2	1	3	11	12	5
Newmarket	6	1	1	4	14	15	3
Pine Rivers	5	1	—	4	4	18	2
Bardon	6	1	—	5	8	24	2
Nambour	4	—	—	4	3	32	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Redlands	5	3	—	2	23	6	6
Industrial	5	2	2	1	14	9	8
The Gap	5	2	2	1	11	8	6
St. Albans	5	2	2	1	10	7	6
Salisbury	6	3	—	3	7	14	6
Nerang	4	2	1	1	15	9	5
Westside	6	2	1	3	14	14	5
Souths	5	1	2	2	7	10	5
Eagles	6	2	1	3	11	16	—
Kingsridge	5	1	2	2	8	11	4
Riverside	5	2	—	3	10	16	4
Bayside	5	2	—	3	7	17	4

SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kingsridge	5	5	—	—	25	2	10
Souths	5	4	—	1	13	5	8
Redlands	3	3	—	—	18	0	6
The Gap	4	2	—	2	13	8	4
Nerang	4	3	—	1	9	12	4
Westside	5	2	—	3	14	19	4
Industrial	5	2	—	3	12	18	4
St. Albans	5	2	—	3	9	16	4
Riverside	6	—	1	5	5	20	1
Eagles	4	—	1	3	3	21	1

POINTS SCOREBOARD

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Virginia	6	5	—	1	28	4	10
Inala	6	4	1	1	12	4	9
Oxley	6	4	2	1	14	7	9
University	6	3	2	1	4	2	8
RAAF	5	3	1	1	6	6	7
Albany Crk.	5	2	2	1	10	6	6
Booval	5	2	—	3	4	7	4
Brighton	6	2	—	4	8	13	4
Annerley	5	1	—	4	5	7	3
Nth. Brisbane	6	1	1	4	3	21	3
W. Brisbane	5	1	—	4	11	19	2
Mistle	5	—	1	4	3	9	1

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mitchelton	5	3	2	—	15	4	8
Valley Trident	6	3	2	1	12	8	8
Taringa	5	3	1	1	15	5	7
Slacks Creek	4	3	—	1	12	3	6
Greenbank	6	3	1	2	15	8	6
North Star	5	3	—	2	12	5	6
Leichhardt	5	3	—	2	8	3	6
Rochedale	5	2	1	2	9	7	5
Samford	5	2	—	3	8	16	4
Moggill	5	1	—	4	8	26	2
South Star	5	—	1	4	5	21	1
North Pine	4	—	—	4	2	14	0

FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Beenleigh	5	4	—	1	25	6	8
Ipswich City	6	4	—	2	20	10	8
Samford	6	3	1	2	9	16	7
Brighton	5	3	—	2	16	7	6
Inala City	5	3	—	2	16	9	6
The Gap	4	2	—	2	8	6	6
Clairvaux	6	2	1	3	17	13	5
W. Brisbane	6	2	1	3	8	16	5
Logan City	5	3	—	2	18	14	4
Griffith Uni	5	2	—	3	14	13	4
Rovers	6	1	1	4	10	17	3
Wacol	5	—	—	5	2	36	0

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Willowburn	5	5	—	—	19	2	10
University	5	4	1	—	17	6	9
Newmarket	5	3	1	1	21	11	7
Slacks Creek	5	3	—	2	9	5	6
St. Helens	4	2	1	1	8	6	5
Kingsridge	5	2	1	2	11	11	5
Caboolture	4	2	—	2	6	4	4
Albany Creek	5	2	—	3	13	13	4
Acacia Ridge	4	1	—	3	8	9	2
Booval	4	—	2	2	5	16	2
Virginia	5	1	—	4	7	18	2
RAAF	5	—	—	5	4	25	0

SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Capalaba	6	5	—	1	19	4	10
Greenbank	5	3	2	—	13	9	8
Redlands	5	3	1	1	21	10	7
Beenleigh	5	3	1	1	19	10	7
Wynnum	5	2	2	1	25	6	6
University	5	2	1	2	19	5	5
Ipswich City	6	1	3	2	10	13	5
Toowong Jnrs.	5	2	—	3	11	13	4
South Star	5	2	1	2	12	14	4
Thistle	5	1	1	3	11	12	3
Logan City	5	1	—	4	8	21	2
Leichhardt	5	—	—	5	3	54	0

COLTS A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Newmarket	5	5	—	—	18	2	10
Wynnum	5	4	—	1	20	7	8
Salisbury	5	4	—	1	15	10	8
Capalaba	5	3	—	2	17	10	6
Nth. Brisbane	5	3	—	2	13	8	6
Redlands	5	3	—	2	8	5	6
Kenmore	5	2	—	3	20	19	4
Annerley	5	2	—	3	8	18	4
Redcliffe	5	1	—	4	7	13	2
The Gap	4	1	—	3	4	12	2
Mitchelton	5	1	—	4	9	19	2

THE WEEKEND'S TEAMS

PREMIER LEAGUE — ROUND SEVEN

EASTS v MOUNT GRAVATT

Heath Park
Saturday, 7 p.m.

EASTS	MOUNT GRAVATT
..... PAUL DRURY S. WOODRUFFE
..... PAUL MYLONAS MARK DAVIS
..... JEFF DOLAN NOEL DAVIS
..... MARK J.-KNAGGS ERIC THOMPSON
..... ROD STEIN DAVID COSTA
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..... LEON WILSON STEVE McNALLY
..... GEORGE TAKIS CRAIG DICKSON
..... JEFF HANSEN TIM TAYLOR
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..... TONY BRIGHT GARY BOHAN
..... DAVE PICKUP JIM McINTYRE
..... ANGUS MEIKLE CAMERON BELL
..... MARK HAIRSINE

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

SUNNYSIDE v IPSWICH

Croatian Sporting Centre
Saturday, 7 p.m.

SUNNYSIDE	IPSWICH
..... JOE SIKORSKI	20 GREG DONNELLY
..... IVAN SEKULIC	1 JOHN BENNETT
..... VLADO BEK	2 NEV O'SULLIVAN
..... TONY EDWARDS	3 BRUCE PENMAN
..... STEVE PUSELJ	4 WAYNE WARREN
..... DAMIR IVICA	5 JEFF DANN
..... RICKY BOW	6 RAND McKEAND
..... PETER FARRELL	7 GRAHAM KATHAGE
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..... IVAN FRKOVIC	9 IAN LAWRIE
..... JOE MATIC	10 RON MILLMAN
..... DAVE BRISBANE	11 KEN GORDON
..... MICK MATISIC	12 BILL DANN
..... CHARLIE RUNJE	13 GARY VOGLER
..... ZVONKO PENC	14 KEV COLEMAN
.....	..... DAVID PERRETT
.....	..... STEVEN MULLER

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

WHAT THE EXPERTS THINK

Match	MARK BRIGDEN Go Soccer	MAREE LEONE Go Soccer	GEOFF STEAD Telegraph
CENTENARY MATCH Queensland v New South Wales	DRAW	QUEENSLAND	N.S.W.
PREMIER LEAGUE Brisbane City v Olympic Utd. Grange Thistle v Brisbane Lions Valley Trident v North Star Acacia Ridge v Taringa Rovers Eastern Suburbs v Mt. Gravatt Sunnyside v Ipswich United	OLYMPIC THISTLE VALLEY TRIDENT ACACIA R. MT GRAVATT SUNNYSIDE	OLYMPIC THISTLE NORTH STAR DRAW DRAW IPSWICH	OLYMPIC THISTLE DRAW ACACIA R. EASTS DRAW
FIRST DIVISION Rochedale Rovers v Goodna Newmarket v Redcliffe City Nambour Reds v Coalstars Wynnum District v Annerley Bardon Latrobe v Darra United Mitchelton v Pine Rivers	GOODNA NEWMARKET COALSTARS DRAW DARRA MITCHELTON	GOODNA NEWMARKET COALSTARS WYNNUM DRAW MITCHELTON	DRAW NEWMARKET COALSTARS WYNNUM BARDON MITCHELTON
Success Rate	39%	27%	46%

Continuing a series on the Premier League captain and coaches. Next Week — North Star.

SYD HELPS SET A RECORD

Former Queensland player Syd Tucker helped Eastern Suburbs to a club first after he took over at the beginning of this season.

Until this year, when Easts raced to the top of the Premier League table with a lengthy undefeated run, the club had never previously — even back in the old Merton East days — won its first three fixtures.

Under the direction of Tucker, Easts have gone on to well and truly set the record straight and look like having as successful a season as they did when they first came into the State League in 1981.

Tucker firmly believes he has the side to win this year's Premier League competition and rates complacency as his team's only enemy. But he adds: "You can rest assured that won't happen."

Tucker's involvement in Australian soccer began in 1963 when he came to Melbourne after playing for Watford. His first club in Australia was Melbourne team Lions in the Victorian State League.

He then transferred to former well-known and successful Queensland club Bardon Latrobe and spent eight years there and won many honors, including his state caps.

From Latrobe Tucker became player-coach at North Brisbane, then Polonia after which he went to Brisbane City (then Azzurri) for six weeks but returned

to North Brisbane where he finished his official playing days.

Tucker took up coaching at North Brisbane and continued it when he moved to Mitchelton. He coached the Mitchelton side from 1979 to 1981 but then took a break to play Commercial League football.

He was lured back to coaching this year by Easts.

"We had a few problems earlier but everyone was too quick to write us off. We've got a balanced side now and my only worry is injuries because we have only a limited amount of depth in our reserves," Tucker said.

Tucker's coaching methods revolve around his belief that essentially soccer is a simple game.

"It's the players that make it hard," he said.

"We play A to B football in that our target is to get the ball from one part of the park to another. We work at getting ourselves into positions to make that aim as easy as possible."

It's great in theory and Tucker hopes that at the end of the season, with the championship trophy safely tucked away at Heath Park, he would have proved it just as effective in the doing.

PHIL HAS BOUNCED BACK . . .

Eastern Suburbs captain Phil Thompson was probably the most disappointed person at Perry Park after the Queensland team lost to Victoria in February.

Thompson's parents were over from England and it came as a great bonus for them to be able to watch their son play for his adopted state.

But Thompson was unable to get into the game and coach Bruce Stowell substituted him at halftime as he looked for a new direction.

"I don't know what was wrong, whether it was the style the two teams were playing or what, but I just couldn't get into the game," Thompson said.

Thompson, 28, was born in Coventry and started his football with Nuneaton-borough. He was always a midfielder and eventually won a place at Derby Football Club, playing in the reserves team for two and a half years.

Thompson came to Australia in 1974 and played with Merton East until 1979 when he transferred to Mount Gravatt to play State League Football. But in 1981, with Easts being promoted to the top division, he returned "home" and has been at Heath Park since.

The diminutive midfielder is probably

one of the most talented players in Queensland not to play National League football. He has had trials with Brisbane City and Lions but on both occasions nothing was finalised.

"It never really bothered me that I missed out on playing in the National League. It would have been nice, but I have enjoyed my football playing at State League and the like," Thompson said.

Although Thompson is captain of the Easts team he says there are about three of four captains in the side.

"Players in different sections of the team know what has to be done and they tell the players around them. It's all about encouragement and it doesn't matter who is yelling on the park if they are giving good instructions," he said.

Thompson has never been out of football for as long as he can remember and says he will keep playing while he is enjoying it. After that it is likely he will take up coaching.



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NEWMARKET NEWS

Kev Kelly is one of Newmarket's longest serving members and possibly the most liked personality, particularly among the juniors.

Kev started with the club when it was the Postal Institute Soccer Club, as an 18-year-old player — an association which has continued unbroken until today. Kev is known to most, and rightly so, as 'Mr. Newmarket'. His list of credits with the club is one he can justifiably be proud of. They include — a senior player until the mid 60's; a successful junior coach; a former club secretary; a top senior coach who took the club's Third Division side to Second Division; a foundation member of the recently completed club house.

Kev holds the most honoured position any club can bestow on a member — life membership.

Kev is currently chairman of Newmarket's highly successful G and E (fund-raising) committee. Outside the club Kev is a foundation member of the Queensland Soccer Coaches Federation.

Besides soccer what is Kev's other loves? He has three of them — fishing, fishing and fishing. And it's this love of fishing that may prevent Kev from going on the USA tour later this year. You see, Kev says the tailor really run hot at that time of the year — but if ever a person should be going it should be Kev — so we are working on him.

Club highlights in the next few weeks include — a special day at McCook Park on Saturday, May 21, when our top side plays Darra. Whistles, streamers, balloons, etc. will be given away to the juniors who form the players' guard of honour. After the game we are holding an FA Cup Final night.

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ANNERLEY AIMING HIGH

In Bob Scanlan, Annerley has one of the youngest yet most experienced coaches in the First Division.

Scanlan, 29, spent three years at Darra taking them to the First Division and also coached the Lions Colts team which is now producing many talented youngsters.

An Englishman, born in Leeds, Scanlan came to Australia 12 years ago. He began coaching when a back injury stopped his playing career.

Now he is attempting his biggest coaching challenge yet in trying to get Annerley into the Premier League. But on the strength of his squad and the way they have started the season, Scanlan sees the challenge as a mere formality.

"I am very confident of our winning the First Division with the squad we have now and the teams that are against us."

"Last year we did well against the top sides but failed against the lower teams. This season we definitely have more consistency," Scanlan said.

Scanlan's coaching techniques concentrate on a lot of ballwork and he firmly

believes by the end of the season, Annerley will be one of the best 'footballing' sides in Brisbane.

The Annerley first team is now a mixture of experience and youth. Captain Brian Barnes is playing as well as ever at the back while former Mount Gravatt player Brian Hudson is also a key experienced member of the side.

The youngsters include Neil Meurant, who has worked his way up through the club. Other players going well this year include Bill Perry and Mickey Jones. Goalkeeper John Di has also been in outstanding form.

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RIDGE REPORTING

with **MIKE COLLINS**

Recently I took a team of U15 players from the Ridge to play a First Division fixture at Capalaba, in what was billed as a junior "field day."

Nothing wrong with that, apart from the fact that the only thing missing was the field, because the only resemblance this paddock had to a soccer field was the fact that it had goalposts. I doubt as to whether even 'Mr. Brown' would be game to put his cows out there to graze.

The same happened last year when the same teams played at Logan City's ground which was a disgrace. I think it's

about time the B.S.D.J.S.A. had a good look at these grounds before they organise these sort of days and they might even try and see if they can get the representative coaches out to see the games. As I was informed, that was the idea of the exercise.

The views in this article are those of our correspondent and not of Go Soccer nor the Queensland Soccer Federation. —Ed.

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YOUTHS NAMED THIS WEEK

National soccer coach Les Scheinflug was to make his final choice of the 18 players to represent Australia in the World Youth Cup in Mexico after an exhibition game against Heidelberg in Hobart this week.

The 18 players were to be chosen after the match and five more were to go on stand-by in case of late injuries.

Schienflug's first priority is to defeat hosts Mexico, who will play Australia in the opening match of the tournament on June 2.

The Mexicans have been in their training camp for some time.

"I have confidence that we will make a big showing in the tournament if we overcome the first hurdle," Schienflug

Because of this week's special interstate match edition and a delay in getting junior tables, our regular junior soccer coverage will begin next week.

BRIG'S WORLD

Delegates from FIFA, in Mexico to assess the facilities for the 1986 World Cup Finals, have found nine of the 11 stadiums nominated for use to be acceptable. However safety requirements were found to be inadequate at Toluca and Tampico where the terraces were deemed to be too close to the pitch. It is interesting to note that Toluca is considered satisfactory for the world youth championships in June and in fact is the venue for two of Australia's matches.

Former England international Gerry Hitchens, 48, has died after collapsing during a local soccer game in Wales. Some older readers will no doubt remember Hitchens as the Aston Villa striker who transferred to Italian club Internazionale in 1961 for a then amazing \$95,000 pounds. Hitchens made seven appearances for England and played in the 1962 World Cup Finals in Chile.

On a similar sad note, the well-known Jimmy Bloomfield has also died, aged 49. Bloomfield, whose career spanned 29 years played for Arsenal, West Ham, Birmingham and Plymouth before becoming player-manager at Orient in 1968. He then managed Leicester for six years before returning to Orient to take them to the semi-finals of the FA Cup in 1978.

Telejector has withdrawn its \$14.4 million offer to the English Football League to screen matches next season.

Telejector planned to screen matches on big screens in pubs and clubs on Monday nights and originally gave the league an April 30 deadline to reach agreement with them.

Since then the television companies have made some concessions to the league over shirt advertising and it seems likely an agreement will now be reached.

Telejector, part of London and Liverpool Trust, said today: "After consideration of all the practicalities and possibilities of obtaining an exclusive contract to televise soccer to our outlets, we have decided to withdraw from negotiations and concentrate on other entertainment programmes."

New Zealand's World Cup striker Wynnton Rufer came on as a substitute and hammered a second half hat-trick when Zurich thrashed Winterthur 4-1 in the Swiss First Division.

A WORLD ROUND-UP

COMPILED BY MARK BRIGDEN

Rufer, who joined Zurich with his brother Shane at the beginning of the season, silenced his critics with a three-goal burst in just 20 minutes.

Trainer Max Merkel attacked Rufer recently for lack of commitment and dropped him to the reserves.

But the 20-year-old New Zealander countered by scoring four times in the reserves' recent 8-1 win over a local side before turning it on against relegation troubled Winterthur.

Zurich is currently fifth in the table with eight matches remaining and on course for a European Football Union (UEFA) Cup place next season.

EUROPEAN STANDINGS

GROUP 1	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Belgium	4	4	0	0	10	4	8
Scotland	4	1	1	2	6	7	3
Switzerland	3	1	1	1	4	5	3
East Germany	3	0	0	3	1	6	0

GROUP 2	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Soviet Union	2	2	0	0	7	0	4
Portugal	3	2	0	1	4	6	4
Poland	3	1	1	1	5	5	3
Finland	4	0	1	3	3	8	1

GROUP 3	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	5	3	2	0	16	2	8
Denmark	3	2	1	0	5	3	5
Hungary	3	2	0	1	12	6	4
Greece	4	1	1	2	2	4	3
Luxembourg	5	0	0	5	5	15	0

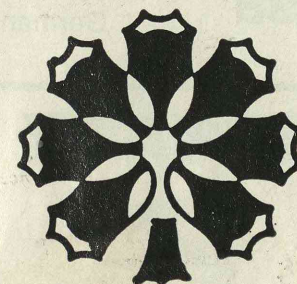
GROUP 4	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wales	3	2	1	0	6	3	3
Norway	3	1	1	1	5	4	3
Yugoslavia	3	1	1	1	6	7	3
Bulgaria	3	0	1	2	2	4	1

GROUP 5 WAS UNAVAILABLE

GROUP 6	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Austria	4	3	1	0	11	0	7
Nth. Ireland	5	3	1	1	4	3	7
West Germany	4	2	1	1	5	2	6
Turkey	4	1	0	3	2	0	2
Albania	5	0	1	4	1	0	1

GROUP 7	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Spain	4	3	1	0	7	3	7
Netherlands	4	2	1	1	9	3	5
Ireland	5	2	1	2	7	7	5
Malta	3	1	0	2	2	8	2
Iceland	4	0	1	3	2	6	1

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Jacaranda Half-time Teasers

1. WHO SAID IT? — "All my life I wanted the Big One . . . tonight the lads did it for me. After being so near, especially with the team destroyed in the Munich Air disaster, we have at last landed Europe's top trophy."
2. Which famous international star was nicknamed "Der Bomber" and for which country did he play?
3. Which tournament did the U.E.F.A. Cup replace?
4. What famous international team came to Ipswich in 1925 and beat the locals 3-0 at the North Ipswich Reserve.



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Answers: 1. The late Sir Matt Busby after Manchester United's 1968 European Cup final over Benfica. 2. Gerd Muller of West Germany. 3. The Fairs Cup 4. England.

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Next Week

- BRISBANE LIONS v BRISBANE CITY
- FOOTSCRAY v HEIDELBERG
- SYDNEY OLYMPIC v ST. GEORGE
- MARCONI v WOLLONGONG
- CANBERRA v NEWCASTLE
- SYDNEY CITY v LEICHHARDT
- WEST ADELAIDE v ADELAIDE CITY
- SOUTH MELBOURNE v PRESTON

