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The Fourteenth Fixture of the Yugoslavian Tour

3rd SEPTEMBER, 1949

The Fourth Test Match





NEWCASTLE SPORTSGROUND

3 p.m.

EARLY MATCHES AT 12 NOON AND 1.30 p.m.

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Teams for

NORTHERN DISTRICTS

YUGOSLAVIA

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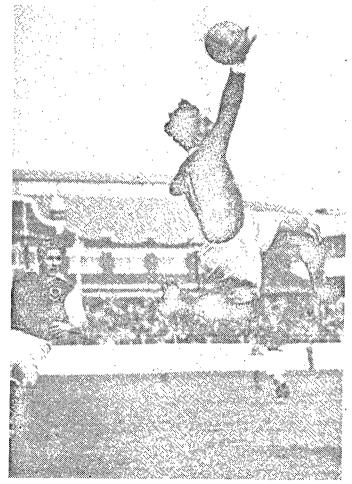
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Frane Matosic, Yugoslavian Capt.

Here is the Photograph of the Poster which took Brisbane by storm.

## You Can't Keep a Good Man Down!



#### THE GREAT BEARA!

One of the greatest custodians ever seen in Australia, youthful Vladimir Beara has proved a tremendous attraction in all states to date.

His mighty leaps, uncanny anticipation and amazing agility have kept Australian forwards mostly at bay. Alan Johns beat him with a great shot from 30 yards in the first test—so he at least can be beaten.

But—it's got to be a good 'un that gets past this big, quiet, unassuming youngster, who makes the 24ft. x 8ft. goal look to opposing forwards about as big as a butter box.

(Blocks loaned by "Sydney Morning Herald".)

#### EARLY MATCHES TO THE FOURTH TEST

Selected Teams. 12 Noon.

#### UNDER 18 YEARS PREMIERSHIP

#### MEREWETHER

#### WALLSEND

(Red)

G. H. WINTERBINE

1. R. GIBBS 2. K. MANNING

3. D. ALLANSON 4. W. DIMMOCK

5. R. McLACHLAN

6. E. ADAMTHWAITE

7. B. BEVAN

8. R. ROBINSON

9. T. UNDERWOOD

10. G. GIBBS

(Green and White)

G. R. CAIRNS

1. A. COUGHLIN 2. R. EVANS

3. L. HALL 4. E. LEE

5. J. O'BRIEN 6. R. COOPER

7. A. PETTIGREW

8. K. HICKAS

9. J. PEEL

10. D. NEWTON

Referee: Mr. A. Roberts.

Linesmen: Mr. C. Jack and Mr. J. Carlin.

## STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (Under 21 Years) 1.30 p.m.

#### NEWCASTLE

## CANTERBURY

(Black and Gold)

(Blue with Gold Trimmings)

G. N. ALLEN

1. W. KELLY

2. C. DAVIS 3. R. BENNETT

4. J. BARTLETT 5. W. AVIS

6. J. BOSLEM 7. C. CAMPBELL

8. A. ROACH

9. C. ELLEVSON 10. E. KEEGAN

11. L. EVANS .

12. H. HANCOCK

G. J. WORRELL (Belmore)
1. W. CADOGAN (Belmore)

2. N. GAUDRY (Hurlstone Pk.)
3. B. CHALLINOR (H'stone Pk.)

3. B. CHALLINOR (H Stone Fr.)
4. N. SCHRODER (Belmore), C.
5. R. HARRISON (Belmore)
6. R. STREATER (Lakemba)
7. N. BOTTOMLEY (H'stone Pk.)
8. J. BONDS (Hurlstone Park)
6. T. SCHIDES (Lakemba)

9. J. SQUIRES (Lakemba)

10. M. MacDONALD (Cant'bury)

Reserves: K. McGANN (Lakemba),

J. KING (Belmore).

Manager: Mr. J. PAYNE.

Referee: Mr. D. Thompson

Linesmen: Mr. E. Roberts and Mr. W. Shottan.

When Australia was beaten 6-3 in last week's test, it was our greatest defeat in international soccer since 1925.

Many good judges blamed the reshuffled defence, which certainly did look a patchy affair.

Intending patrons of to-morrow's (Sunday) Northern Districts v. Yugoslavia soccer match at Cessnock are advised that special buses will be run from Jays Tourist Bureau, Scott Street, Newcastle, leaving for Cessnock at 12.30 p.m.

#### INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT OUR VISITORS

Four penalty kicks in an international match must be almost a record. Yet that is what happened in the Brisbane test last Saturday. Right-half Ivo Mrcic scored from the two awarded to Yugoslavia; F. Parsons scored from one awarded to Australia, but Captain Cec. Drummond failed with the other.



V. Andrijasevic

was

Excitement was almost at fever heat when goalkeeper V. Beara walked off the field, but retraced his steps before entoring the enclosure.

The most brilliant men in the Slav's are Captain Frane Matosic (inside-left) and Benard Vukas (outsideleft). Keep your eye, however, on centre-forward V. Andrijasevic, who is a masterly schemer of the quiet inconspicuous type.

The build and style of left-half Ivo Radovnikovic is very like that of the average Australian player. Perhaps it was because of that (or the difficulty Ivo

of pronouncing that long name) that in dubbed "PUDDEN"



Radovnikovic

quickly During the Slavs' early matches of the tour in Sydney, we never once saw Frane Matosic remonstrate with a referee over any decision. In Melbourne the usually imperturbable Yugoslav skipper disputed several decisions of Referee Mr. J. Westley, and in Brisbane he was openly hostile with some of the referee's awards. The moral of that story is: The next time you start to criticise N.S.W. referees, remember what could happen if you lived in Melbourne or Brisbane.

field during the mild dispute.

Right full-back Ljubomir Kokeza is a grand, but temperamental player. He has an unfortunate habit of acting deprecatorily to a referee when disputing a decision. In our club football he would quickly receive his walking ticket to the pavilion for some of those actions.

His partner, Bozo Broketa, is a funny man. Up to date he has been decidedly hard to ruffle, but, like his colleagues, will pretty surely get upset some day if he sincerely believes he is the victim of a bad decision. A prime favourite with the youngsters, who smother him with autograph books which he signs.



and then personally acknowledges the proud owner. The splendid action photograph of Beara which appears on page 2 took Brisbane by storm. Enlarged posters bearing the action shot were posted on every street corner in the city and suburbs of Queensland city. Result was that every one of the 18,000 spectators were as anxious to see Beara as the match itself. They got a shock when he almost left the

Few visiting sides have enjoyed much success in Newcastle. Springboks fell heavily there, being defeated 5-1 in the fourth test. English amateurs also bit the dust in 1937 there. No wonder visiting sides describe Newcastle as the "Graveyard of the Champions".

A large crowd of Newcastle fans are travelling to Sydney next week for the final test. There are two Sydney-bound trains on Saturday morning. Quite a number of country towns will be represented too, judging by the numbers of enquiries still pouring in.

### ODD FACTS IN SOCCER!

The greatest of all struggles in English soccer is that for promotion. Hull City Club struggled for 15 years to move from third to second division. In the 16th year (last season) the club obtained the services as player-manager of former international star RIACH Carter and won the long sought promotion. Riach is now the "toast" of all Hull.

Five of the members of the Turin (Italy) team who were killed in the plane crash over Turin on 5th May, 1949, were described by prominent English judges as the best ever in their respective positions. The players were: Bacigalup (goalkeeper), Ballarin (Right Back), Grazar (Left Half), Luik (Inside Right), and Mazzola (Inside Left and Captain). Trainer of the ill-fated team, Englishman John Lievesley, was also killed.

Quote from English newspaper "News of the World" (1st May): "Australia will invite the King to open the 1956 Olympics at Melbourne."

L. Churchill, full-back of Taunton (England) Rugby League club did not think soccer a risky game until he played in a local friendly soccer match-and suffered a broken leg.

When Barnsley beat Bury 3-2 in a premiership match on April 23rd, Bury's Australian goalkeeper, Ken Grieves, made two mistakes which cost his side two vital goals. One newspaper heading of the report of the match was: "Grieve-ous for Bury".

There is no promotion and relegation system in the football league The minimum number of points which a team is expected to acquire during the season is sixteen. Any team failing to do so must pay a fine of three guineas for every point short of that total at the season's end.

Scottish international goalkeeper Jimmy Cowan has devised a system for "narrowing" angles when opposing forwards are preparing to shoot. Before the start of a game he makes a furrow from the penalty spot to the centre of his goal line . . . with his heel. It disfigures the playing area somewhat. When he made the almost 3 inch deep furrow on the nearly sacred turf of Wembley this year, London authorities were so shocked that they almost forgot to "change the guard".

In a Juvenile (all age) game played at Lenzie (Scotland) this year 22 penalty kicks were awarded and eight players were "ordered off". Only nine goals were scored from the spot kicks. In his report of the match the referee stated "that the game was uneventful but he felt compelled to send some players off the field as a warning to the

Although Yugoslavia beat Queensland 10-0 two weeks ago the Queensland goalkeeper, Bill Mitchell, played a great game. Most of the goals were "walked" past him by the clever combination of Matosic, Andrijasevic and Lustica.

Tom Brown, inside left of Rutherglen Glencairn club, Scotland, retired from soccer because of poor eyesight. A Harley Street (London) eye specialist fitted contact lenses on Tom's eyes and he is again playing for his club.

In Oslo (Norway) during the war, many women were thrown into concentration camps by the German occupation chiefs for knitting football jerseys in the Norwegian national colours. Youngsters, during that period, defied the Nazi ban on all sports by rowing out to the islands in the FJORDS, under cover of darkness, and remaining in hiding until it was light enough to indulge in their game of soccer.

A correspondent recently asked how many soccer balls could be made from a full sized cowhide. One of the largest firms of soccer ball makers in the world (Messrs. Bryan and Frank Ltd.) gave the answer as eleven: nine from the butts of the hide and two of a lower quality from the

shoulders.

# TEAMS FOR T

Goal: N

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Manager: MR. W. ORR (Sydney)

1. H. PARKES (N.S.W.)

3. R. LAWRIE (Queensland) 7. A. JOHNS (N.S.W.)

6. G. SANDERS (N.S.W.)

11. B. VUKAS

10. F. MATOSIC

6. I. RADOVNIKOVIC

3. B. BROKETA

Managers:--Mr. IVA RAIC and Mr. MILENKO KF

RESERVES — AUSTRALIA Full Back: J. MARSTON (N.S.W.)

Half Back: D. COOTE (N.S.W.)

Forward: R. MARSHALL (N.S.W.)

Referee: MR. W. McWILLIAMS



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Ervin Katnic

# AY'S MAIN GAME

# RALIA

and Gold)

Trainer: MR. T. KELLY (Newcastle)

UEST (N.S.W.)

· 2. C. DRUMMOND (N.S.W.)

+0N (N.S.W.)

5. R. BIGNALL (N.S.W.)

9. R. HUGHES (N.S.W.)

10. H. BOBERTSON (N.S.W.)

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7. D. DRVODJELIC

8. S. LUSTICA

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4. I. MRCIC

2. L. KOKEZA

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Trainer:—Mr. LUKA KALITERNA.

RESERVES — YUGOSLAVIA

S. KRUSTULOVIC

B. VIDJAK

T. RADOVNIKOVIC

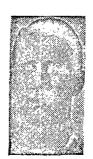
A. MLADINIC

K. VIDOVIC

Linesmen: MR. H. PARKER and MR. A. WELCH



B. Vukas



Slavko Lustica

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Centre-half Tom Jack, who played so well for Victoria against the Yugoslavians, is a Scot who has seen service with the Dunfermline Athletic and Third Lanark clubs in the Scottish first division league.

A player who recently arrived in Sydney has been in second division English soccer for the last five years. He will not play here because he considers the risk of injury too great for the amount of reward he would receive.

A former British Marine, A Hunter, who played for Wallsend whilst stationed here during the war years, is expected to be in Australia shortly to again play with the "Bolshies".

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Memories of Nick Cartwright, Teddy Acheson, Bobby Austin, Jim McNabb and Billy Morgan remind us that N.S.W. always provided the best goalkeepers. Evidence of the tremendous change in that state of affairs is given by the insistent claims of some soccer scribes for the inclusion of goalkeeper A. Wise (Tasmania) in Australian test teams.

Our referees and linesmen looked very nice in their red shirts, etc., during the Yugoslav matches in Sydney . . . but it has provided our wags on the terraces with more verbal ammunition. During a recent Lambert Park match one of those officials was loudly counselled to "go and put his red shirt on".

During a recent all sports session on a Sydney Broadcasting station an Australian Rules representative stated that there was ample "room" for all codes of football in every Australian State. He did not mention that as a result of the Australian Rules association's monopoly of all grounds in Victoria, soccer club matches in that state had to be played in open paddocks.

To many overseas peoples, especially Scots, the absence of hooped type coloured jerseys in Australia seems strange. Some of the major clubs who used this type of jersey have changed to plain, self-coloured shirts, but some years ago Glasgow Celtic, Greenock Morton, Hamilton Academicals, Queens Park and Kilmarnock all played in the "hoops".

The first soccer team ever to wear hooped, coloured socks was Glasgow Rangers, in the year 1872.

The late George Sanders (who was one of Newcastle's most outstanding referees) was struck by a fast driven ball on Adamstown Oval during a premiership match in 1942. Suffering from concussion, he surrendered his whistle to a linesman who completed the match.

There is a six foot two inch centre-half in Queensland whom, rumour says, wouldn't be averse to playing in N.S.W. He is Harry Brophy, a former player of the Arsenal and Southhampton clubs. Why he wasn't chosen in the Queensland team is a mystery, because he is the best pivot up there. A master of third back football, Brophy would make an excellent player-coach for a N.S.W. teach which is determined to play third back soccer next season.

Another Englishman, Cec. Tatters, formerly of Everton club, is playing for the Queensland club Caledonians.

Some scribes have been writing unkindly about Norm Conquest since his selection as goalkeeper of the third test team. The shrewd selectors of Scotland and England do not worry about a player's age if they think he is the man for the job.

When Leichhardt sought a postponement of the Adamstown match because eight players were unavailable, a Sydney newspaper accused the Sydney team of putting club interests before those of international importance. Leichhardt officials indignantly refuted that suggestion and contended that their only concern was over the public's reaction to watching eight reserve graders in action of the star players.

# The Australian Soccer Association Ltd.

Presents

The Fifteenth Fixture of the Yugoslavian Tour

SUNDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER, 1949

# NORTHERN DISTRICTS

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# YUGOSLAVIA

at

## CESSNOCK SPORTSGROUND

3 p.m.

Early Games at 12.30 p.m. and 1.45 p.m.

Selected Teams for the Above Main Game on Next Page.

NEXT SATURDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER, is the sporting public's last opportunity of seeing the clever Yugoslavians in action.

#### NEXT SATURDAY

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10th SEPTEMBER, 1949

The Fifth and Final Test

## AUSTRALIA v. YUGOSLAVIA

at

The Royal Agricultural Showground, Sydney.

5. K. O'NEILL

(Cessnock)

# Teams for Sunday (4th September) at Cessnock NORTHERN DISTRICTS

(Red)

Manager: Mr. D. Rees. Trainer: R. Jack (Newcastle)

Goal: W. MAHONEY (Wallsend) 2. L. HEARNE

1. H. PARKES (Wallsend)

4. E. SCREEN 3. D. COOTE

(Adamstown) (Adamstown)

7. A. JOHNS (Adamstown)

6. E. KEMP (Wallsend)

10. F. MATOSIC

11. B. VUKAS

8. R. DATE

(Wallsend)

9. S. KRSTULOVIC

4. E. KATNIC

5. IRADOVNIKOVIC 2. B. BROKETA 7. D. DRVODJELIC

(Cessnock)

9. E. BALDWIN

(West Wallsend)

1. L. KOKEZA

8. B. VIDJAK 3. I. MRCIC

10. K. ANDERSON

(Wallsend)

Goal: V. BEARA. YUGOSLAVIA

(White)

Managers: Mr. Iva Raic and Mr. Milenko Kratulovic.

Trainer: Mr. Luka Kaliterna.

EARLY GAMES:

12.30 p.m.

STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (under 16 Years)

SOUTH MAITLAND  $\mathbf{v}$ NEWCASTLE

Referee: Mr. E. Roberts.

Linesmen: Mr. G. Wilson and Mr. W. Shottan.

1.45 p.m.

(Under 18 years)

## OUEENSLAND JUNIORS v NEWCASTLE POLICE BOYS

G. A. DOBINSON

G. H. WALKER 1. E. EVANS

1. J. ERWIN 2. F. JONES

N. KIVER

A. CATHAGE 4. J. GRIFFITHS

K. MURNANE D. COOTE

5. D. McKENNA

P. BENNETT

G. SIMPSON

6. N. COOTE

7. R. FOWDEN

7. D. JEWEL

8. J. DICKINSON

8. J. LITTLE

9. S. MEAT

9. K. FYFCH 10. C. McLEOD

10. C. HARTMETT

Referce: Mr. A. Roberts.

Linesmen: Mr. G. Wilson and Mr. W. Shottan.

## THE NORTHERN DISTRICTS ELEVEN!

Goalkeeper: W. Mahoney (Wallsend).—Rising 19-year-old star who succeeded Archie Dellaway as Wallsend Custodian. Already played for North v. South and last Wednesday for N.S.W. A test match prospect.

Right Back: H. Parkes (Wallsend).—Versatile, dependable and worthy representative in any class of soccer. Was nearly lost to big soccer this season, but the round ball appeal proved too strong for him to retire.

Left Back: L. Hearne (Cessnock).—Was a junior rep. for South Maitland before joining the Kurri club. Became a Cessnock player in 1946 and just missed test selection against South Africa the following year, mainly because of injury. May yet get his international "cap".

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Right Half: D. Coote (Adamstown).—A one club man since turning senior. Repped for his country v. South Africa. After a lean spell is in his top form again, and Australian selectors still have an eye on him.

Centre-Half: E. Screen (Adamstown).—Faithful Adamstown clubman. Strong, robust, and resolute, and because of his splendid positional sense may fare well against those nippy Slav. forwards.

Left Half: K. O'Neill (Cessnock).—On his day, one of Australia's best halves, full-backs or forwards. Had his talents been confined to one position continuously, would have played for Australia before he did. But his grand club spirit makes him help wherever required.

Outside Right: E. Kemp (Wallsend).—A broken leg early in his career did not dim the brilliance of the diminutive winger, who went on to play for Australia v. South Africa in 1947. Must be very close to test match selection again.

Inside Right: A. Johns (Adamstown).—A man who can play in different positions in successive tests, needs no spotlight on his talents, and Alan has done that this season. Great forager with that lost art amongst present day inside men... a great shot from 25 or 35 yards' range.

Centre-Forward: R. Date (Wallsend).—Australia's mastermind against South Africa in 1947. Every real soccer enthusiast in Australia would be delighted to see him regain his form of that year . . . to break that almost immovable Yugoslav defence.

Inside Left: E. Baldwin (West Wallsend).—His big tally of goals this season will serve to emphasise his penetrative qualities. Going great guns in club football and everyone is anxious to see how his unorthodox style will fare against the visitors.

Outside Left: K. Anderson (Wallsend).—Has played for N.S.W. against Queensland. Fast, tricky, and although not vigorous, may lead champion full-back Kokeza a merry dance.









E. Kemp

D Coote

E. Screen

R. Date

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