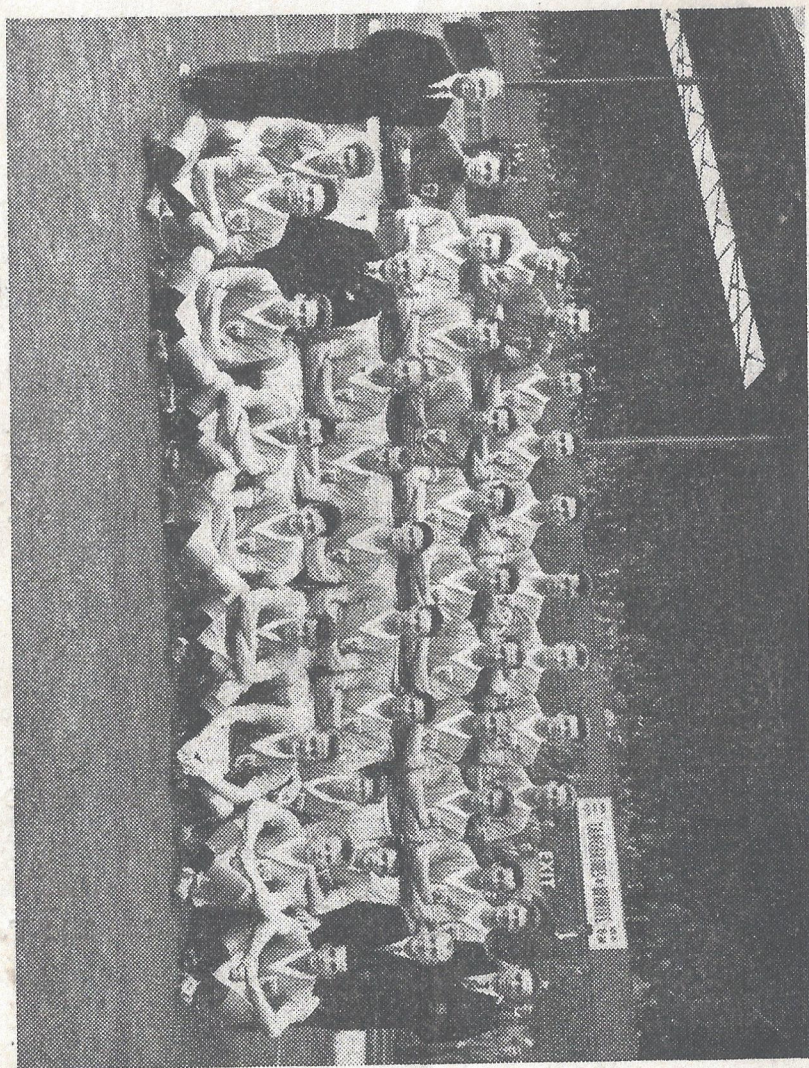


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SATURDAY, 3rd MAY, 1958

SYDNEY SPORTSGROUND

AUSTRALIA v. BLACKPOOL

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SUNDAY, 4th MAY, 1958

CRYSTAL PALACE, WALLSEND

N.S.W. v. BLACKPOOL

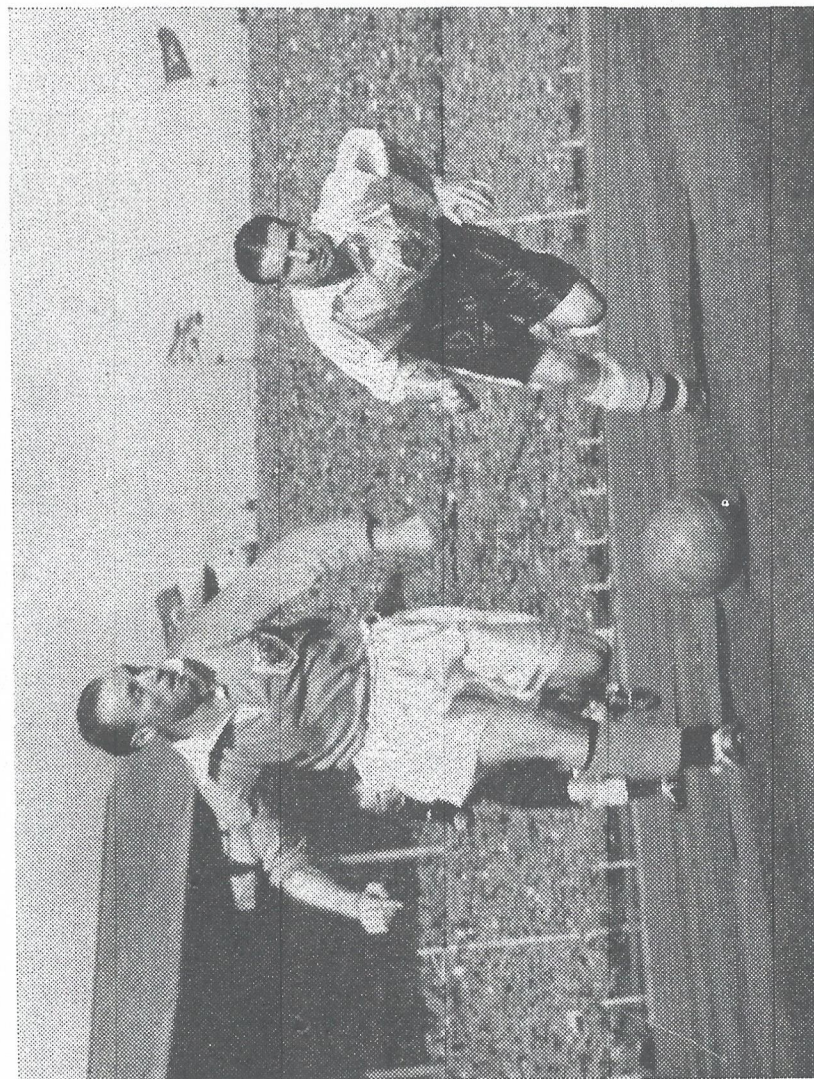




# BLACKPOOL'S AUSTRALIAN ITINERARY AND SCORE CARD

3rd MAY (Saturday):		SYDNEY SPORTSGROUND
	Goals	Goals
BLACKPOOL	....	v. AUSTRALIA
*	*	*
4th MAY (Sunday):		CRYSTAL PALACE, WALLSEND
BLACKPOOL	....	v. N.S.W.
*	*	*
10th MAY (Saturday):		SYDNEY SPORTSGROUND
BLACKPOOL	....	v. AUSTRALIA
*	*	*
11th MAY (Sunday):		WOLLONGONG SHOW GROUND
BLACKPOOL	....	v. N.S.W.
*	*	*
13th MAY (Tuesday):		BRISBANE
BLACKPOOL	....	v. QUEENSLAND
*	(Under Floodlights)	*
17th MAY (Saturday):		BRISBANE
BLACKPOOL	....	v. AUSTRALIA
*	*	*
24th MAY (Saturday):		ADELAIDE
BLACKPOOL	....	v. AUSTRALIA
*	*	*
25th MAY (Sunday):		MELBOURNE
BLACKPOOL	....	v. VICTORIA
*	*	*
28th MAY (Wednesday):		HOBART
BLACKPOOL	....	v. TASMANIA
*	*	*
31st MAY (Saturday):		PERTH
BLACKPOOL	....	v. WEST AUSTRALIA
*	*	*
1st or 2nd JUNE:		MELBOURNE
BLACKPOOL	....	v. AUSTRALIA


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# Welcome . . . BLACKPOOL

It is without doubt a history-making event this week-end for Australian Soccer: for the first time ever in Australia an English F.A. football club will make its appearance in Sydney and Newcastle district.

There has been many memorable tours of this country by teams from other parts of the world. The China tours, with their brand of football that so pleases the Australian Soccer fans; the Indians with their bare feet and interchanging positional play; the South Africans, whose style of Soccer resembles, perhaps of all the visiting tourists, most closely our own; the Continental tours by Yugoslavia, Austria "Rapid", Ferencvaros Torna Club, and F.K. Austria teams with their continental style; and of course the English Professional team of 1951. Only the veterans among us can remember the tour of 1925, when Judy Masters, playing for N.S.W., stunned the crowd with a goal in the first minute of play on one occasion.

Yet, none of these tours can make quite the impact upon us as the present one by Blackpool Football Club. It not only comes from the home of football, but there is a deep interest among the Australian Soccer followers in the English League tables. The fortunes of each of the big name club is followed, and among those Britishers who have settled here, there are thousands who keep a record of how their favourite team at home is faring . . . even though the space in time be over twenty years.

Blackpool is a firm favourite with the English spectators, because of the attractive style of this Club. Not all the abiding interest in Blackpool springs from the delight in seeing Stanley Matthews, but in watching the whole team, which never turns on a drab display no matter who they are playing.

The Australian players who meet Blackpool this week-end will also be proud to be facing men who have been "capped" in representative games so often. The Australian game has been developed with the ambition to live up to the standards of the Football Association, and each player will do his utmost to compare favourably with our illustrious visitors.

So Blackpool, welcome, your visit fulfils a long-standing ambition of the leading Soccer officials of this country to be allowed to stage matches between the home country and ourselves, and to the Soccer followers a wonderful chance to see one of the world's renowned football clubs.



# BLACKPOOL AS I SAW THEM

By L. A. W. PEARCE

It was the first day of December, 1956 on the Chelsea ground at Stamford Bridge. There was what the papers called a rather poor attendance, only 45,000, but they pointed out that there was a counter attraction at Highbury where Arsenal were playing Sunderland.

Blackpool's team consisted of six of the men we are seeing here: George Farm in goal, Jimmy Armfield at right-back, Ewan Fenton left-half, Roy Gratrix centre-half, Jimmy Kelly right-half and Stanley Matthews outside-right.

It was a magnificent game which resulted, as far as I can remember, in a 2-all draw.

George Farm was in fine form in goal. He was a Scottish International and up to the date of this match had not missed a game since the end of the 1954-55 season.

Jimmy Armfield had already won International recognition, having played for England's Under-23 side as fullback.

Jimmy Kelly played a great game at right-half. He was originally a Londoner, having been sold by Watford for a sum running into five figures.

Once a fullback, and now amongst the game's most cultured centre-halves, Roy Gratrix came from Manchester. He proved himself an ideal successor to Harry Johnston, praise enough for anybody.

A Scot from Dundee, Ewan Fenton has been with Blackpool for twelve years, and in that time has had to bear more than his fair share of injuries, but he is now fighting fit.

What remains to be said about Stanley Matthews? Suffice it to say that he has been at Blackpool, who recruited him from his native Stoke, since 1947.

He is a team in itself and the term THE WIZARD is not nearly expansive enough. I remember seeing him that same year playing for England against Yugoslavia. It took three men to mark him, and in desperation the Yugo. left-half grabbed him by the ankle in true Rugby style, which brought down the house (as well as Stanley). England has seen some fine outside players, including our friend Denis Compton of Arsenal to mention only one who is well known to us, but it will be long before Stanley Matthews' name will be forgotten in the football world, if ever. We do realise how fortunate we are in Australia to have him here with us, and welcome all his boys and trust we may have the pleasure of seeing some of them again.

SPECIAL  
BROADCAST OF THE ENGLISH

CUP FINAL

TONIGHT

SATURDAY, 3rd MAY

From A.B.C. Station 2FC

Complete coverage of the English  
Cup Final, due to begin at  
12.20 p.m.

# Meet the Blackpool Team!

Career Records of the Blackpool Players touring Australia

**KELLY, Hugh T.** (Left-half), Captain: Hugh signed from Jeanfield Swifts, the Scottish Junior team, in 1943 and made his bow in League football on September 21st, 1946. He was capped for Scotland against the U.S.A. in 1952 and played in the Blackpool Cup Finals of 1948 and 1951, but missed out on the 1953 Final because of an ankle injury. Hugh was appointed Blackpool's captain at the commencement of the 1955-56 season, in succession to Harry Johnston, and has played more than 350 Cup and League games.

**FARM, George N.** (Goalkeeper): With 400 Cup and League appearances for Blackpool, George—a Scot, born at Slateford—was Hibernian's fourth team goalkeeper, when he joined Blackpool in September, 1948. Ten days later he made his League debut at Bolton. He played in the 1951 and 1953 Cup Finals, and has played in six Internationals as well as against foreign countries.

**ARMFIELD, Jimmy** (Right-back): An ex-Public schoolboy, Jimmy signed for Blackpool as an amateur wing-forward in 1952, but two seasons later was switched to the fullback position and became a part-time Professional. He made his League debut the same year (1954) in December, at Portsmouth. In September, 1956 Jimmy signed as a full-time professional, after completion of his National Service. He has played for the British Army and the Football League, and was a member of the England Under-23 team that toured the Continent in 1957.

**WRIGHT, Jack** (Left-back): A versatile player, Jack was signed as a wing-half from a Junior club in Tyldesley, Lancashire, his home town, in 1946. He became established as a full back and toured the Continent with the England "B" team in 1950. His football career nearly came to an end when he

suffered a slipped disc injury, but after an 18 month lay-off, he made a magnificent come-back to the game. Jack has also played wing-forward for the Blackpool Club.

**GARRETT, Tom** (Left-back): Though having aspirations of becoming a centre-forward early in his Soccer career (in fact he did play in that position twice with Blackpool), Tom's reputation has been made as full-back. A product of North-Eastern football, he made his first appearance for Blackpool in 1947, took part in the 1951 and 1953 Cup Finals and has played for England against Wales, Ireland and Italy. Tom was also a member of the F.A. team that toured South America. He was born at Whitelees and played for Hordern until signed by Blackpool in 1944.

**MARTIN, Barrie** (Right-back): The youngest player in the team, the 21-year-old Barrie is a local boy who is making good in the team. This Blackpool-born player, joined the Club in 1952 and was signed as a full Professional in December, 1953. After National Service in the Army in Germany, he returned to play consistently in the second team and last October he made his League debut in the first team.

**KELLY, Jimmy** (Right-half): Bought from Watford for £15,000 (a club record fee for a half-back) by Blackpool in October, 1954, Jimmy toured the West Indies with an F.A. team in 1955 and has played for the F.A. in representative games in England. Born at Morpeth, Northumberland, he joined Watford as a 16½-year-old amateur. Blackpool nearly lost him when he contemplated emigrating to Rhodesia as a wine salesman, but fortunately for Blackpool, he later changed his mind.

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# TEAMS FOR TO-DAY'S GAME

## SYDNEY SPORTSGROUND

## SATURDAY, 3rd MAY, 1958

### AUSTRALIA

(Green and Gold)

- |                            |                               |                           |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2—A. WARREN (Queensland)   | 1—J. McCABE (South Australia) | 3—H. MURDOCH (N.S.W.)     |
| 4—W. WESTERVELD (Victoria) | 5—J. MARSTON (N.S.W.)         | 6—J. PETTIGREW (N.S.W.)   |
| 8—P. LOUGHRAN (Victoria)   | 9—T. McWATERS (N.S.W.)        | 10—S. KITCHING (N.S.W.)   |
| 7—B. MORROW (N.S.W.)       |                               | 11—B. VOGLER (Queensland) |

#### Reserves:

- K. Hawkins (N.S.W.)
- A. Fraser (N.S.W.)
- J. Kendal (N.S.W.)

Referee: Mr. H. IMLAY

Linesman: Mr. W. JAMESON (Red Flag)  
 Mr. N. VIDLER (Yellow Flag)

*Handwritten notes and signatures:*  
 11—W. PERRY  
 10—M. STARKEY or B. SNOWDON  
 6—H. KELLY or E. FENTON  
 3—WRIGHT or T. GARRETT  
 9—R. CHARNLEY  
 5—R. GRATRIX  
 1—G. FARM  
*Signatures: Dail, Hughie Kelly, John, Bryan Showers, Evans, Roy, George, R. Cant*

*Handwritten notes and signatures:*  
 7—S. MATTHEWS  
 8—J. HAGAN  
 4—J. KELLY or P. HAUSER  
 2—J. ARMFIELD or B. MARTIN  
*Signatures: Hagan, Peter, B. Martin, Jim Kelly*

### BLACKPOOL

(Tangarine)

— Final teams will be announced over the Public Address System —





# MEET THE BLACKPOOL TEAM

(Continued from Page 7)

**HAUSER, Peter** (Right-half): Blackpool beat Charlton Athletic to the punch when they signed Peter from a Johannesburg Club in 1956. Arriving in England as an inside-right, Peter has been since converted into a wing-half and has had encouraging success in Blackpool's second team.

**FENTON, Ewan** (Right or Left Half): Equally at home at either right or left half and an accurate marksman from the penalty spot, Ewan captains the Blackpool team in the absence of Hugh Kelly. Dundee-born, he joined Blackpool in 1946 and made his League debut two years later. He played in the 1953 Cup Final and for the British Army.

**GRATRIX, Roy** (Centre-half): Recommended by an old Blackpool goalkeeper, this Salford-born defender signed for the Seasiders from a works team as a fullback and became a Professional in February, 1953. Roy had his first Senior game at Middlesbrough on March 13, 1953. He succeeded Harry Johnston at centre-half at the start of the 1955-1956 season, and performed so well that he was soon in the England "B" team. Roy was also chosen in the England party for the World Cup preliminary round games.

**MATTHEWS, Stanley** (Outside-right): So much has been written about the immortal Stanley, that there remains little to be said. Stanley joined Stoke City as a youth, played his first League in 1931, and made his first International three years later. Since then, he has appeared in more than 90 International and Representative matches. Stanley joined Blackpool in 1947, and manager, Joe Smith considers he pulled off one of his greatest deals when he signed him on for a transfer fee to Stoke City of £11,500. The wing wizard went on to play in the 1948, 1951 and 1953 Cup Finals. During the 1948 season he was elected Footballer of the Year,

and last year received his greatest honour, the C.B.E.

**CHARNLEY, Ray** (Centre-forward): For £750—an infinitesimal sum in British Soccer—Blackpool signed on this 6ft.-tall player from a Lancashire Junior team 12 months ago. Almost immediately, Ray won a first team place, and his excellent head placements have earned him several goals.

**PERRY, Bill** (Outside-right): Bill is one of the growing band of South Africans who have made good in English football. In South Africa, Bill was a member of the Johannesburg Rangers team. He left for England in 1949, and within 12 months had earned a first team place. Bill was in the 1951 Cup Final and scored the winning goal against Bolton in the 1953 Cup Final. By reason of parental qualifications, his father being a Londoner, Bill was capped by England, one of the very few instances of a South African-born footballer playing for another country.

**SNOWDON, Bryan** (Centre-half): A little more than two years ago, this sturdily-built defender contemplated giving up football. Bryan had been signed in 1952 as an amateur inside-forward from a Bishop Auckland Junior club. Later he became a Professional, and was tried out as a centre-half with immediate success. He has had few games in that position in the first team but only because of the consistency of Roy Gratrix. It could be that Bryan will be seen in Australia mainly as an inside-forward.

**HAGAN, Jack** (Inside-right): Guest player. A Sheffield United International, Jack is touring with the Blackpool team as a guest player. He is no stranger to Australian Soccer fans, having toured this country with the 1951 England team. Jack is one of England's most regular selected players, having represented his country on 17 occasions.

CRYSTAL PALACE

May 4th — 3 p.m.

## N.S.W. v Blackpool

(Blue)

(Tangerine)

Blackpool's team will be selected from the following:

Goalkeepers:

1—**M. SOKOLOFF**  
(Newcastle Austral)

**G. FARM**

Full-backs:

2—**W. WHITELAW**  
(Cessnock)

**J. ARMFIELD**  
(Right-back)

3—**H. MURDOCH**  
(Balgownie)

**B. MARTIN**  
(Right-back)

**J. WRIGHT**  
(Left-back)

**T. GARRETT**  
(Left-back)

Half-backs:

4—**J. PETTIGREW**  
(Cessnock)

**H. KELLY**  
(Left-half)

5—**J. MARSTON**  
(Leichhardt)

**E. FENTON**  
(Left-half)

6—**K. GRANT**  
(West Wallsend)

**R. GRATRIX**  
(Centre-half)

**J. KELLY**  
(Right-half)

**P. HAUSER**  
(Right-half)

Forwards:

7—**B. MORROW**  
(Wallsend)

**S. MATTHEWS**  
(Outside-right)

8—**J. KENDAL**  
(Granville)

**J. HAGAN**  
(Inside-right)

9—**T. McWATERS**  
(Balgownie)

**R. CHARNLEY**  
(Centre-forward)

10—**S. KITCHING**  
(Adamstown)

**M. STARKEY**  
(Inside-left)

11—**C. STEWART**  
(Woonona)

**B. SNOWDON**  
(Inside-forward)

**W. PERRY**  
(Outside-left)

Referee: Mr. H. LONSDALE

Linesmen: Mr. A. ROBERTS (Red Flag); Mr. J. CARLIN (Yellow Flag)

**BLACKPOOL'S TEAM TO BE ANNOUNCED OVER THE AMPLIFIERS ON THE GROUND**

**TEAMS FOR THE EARLY GAMES ON PAGE 12**



## EARLY FIXTURES TO BLACKPOOL v AUSTRALIA

### STATE PREMIERSHIP — ROUND 5

Kick-off: 1.15 p.m.

#### NORTH SHORE v. AUBURN

(Black and Red) (Green and Gold)

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. N. Campbell  | 1. R. Taylor     |
| 2. W. Watson    | 2. F. Selby      |
| 3. R. Bernard   | 3. J. Wells      |
| 4. J. Stevenson | 4. M. Paul       |
| 5. K. Wells     | 5. J. Grubba     |
| 6. J. Sivis     | 6. D. Wendt      |
| 7. A. Stavely   | 7. I. McDonald   |
| 8. R. Such      | 8. R. Haswell    |
| 9. W. Black     | 9. R. Harland    |
| 10. R. Cuneen   | 10. F. Flynn     |
| 11. R. Smith    | 11. G. Middleton |

Referee: Mr. W. Mrdjen  
Linesmen: L. McDonald; M. Nilson

Kick-off: 11.00 a.m.

#### PYRMONT v. SUTHERLAND

(Blue and Gold) (Black and Gold)

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. K. Morthorpe | 1. B. Tucker     |
| 2. R. Richards  | 2. W. Rolph      |
| 3. K. Butler    | 3. I. Stephenson |
| 4. B. Stringer  | 4. C. Tredinnick |
| 5. C. Endicott  | 5. J. Stephenson |
| 6. J. King      | 6. J. Finn       |
| 7. W. Nicholls  | 7. J. Hardie     |
| 8. D. Grey      | 8. R. Swatridge  |
| 9. B. Beesley   | 9. D. Stephenson |
| 10. J. Mills    | 10. J. Mair      |
| 11. M. Ward     | 11. D. Craik     |

Referee: Mr. L. Wilson  
Linesmen: F. Woolman; D. Brittain.

## EARLY FIXTURES TO BLACKPOOL v N.S.W.

11.30 a.m. Under-16 Years

#### LAKE MACQUARIE v. MEREWETHER

(Blue and Gold) (Red, Blue, White)

- |                  |               |
|------------------|---------------|
| 1. R. Hertogs    | 1. D. Kemp    |
| 2. A. Marshall   | 2. R. Inwood  |
| 3. L. Walsh      | 3. J. Mason   |
| 4. D. Langlands  | 4. D. Smith   |
| 5. D. Field      | 5. J. Caban   |
| 6. R. Wood       | 6. A. Lambkin |
| 7. E. McGrath    | 7. D. Picken  |
| 8. T. Hinchcliff | 8. G. Chadban |
| 9. R. Howells    | 9. M. Black   |
| 10. H. Ellis     | 10. J. Young  |
| 11. R. Jones     | 11. R. Duffy  |

Res.: L. Irwin  
R. JAMES, Manager

Res.: J. Watkins  
K. Ross

T. INWOOD, Manager  
J. ROSS, Coach

Referee: J. McDougall  
Linesmen: C. Blissett; J. Smith

1.00 p.m. Under-18 Years

#### ADAMSTOWN v. CHARLESTOWN

(Red and Green) Black and Gold

- |                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| 1. T. Huntley    | 1. M. Easton   |
| 2. T. Boots      | 2. J. Williams |
| 3. G. Cheshire   | 3. G. Graham   |
| 4. P. Winsor     | 4. J. Gardiner |
| 5. B. Hult       | 5. G. Matthews |
| 6. G. Peppercall | 6. T. Urwin    |
| 7. D. Rix        | 7. J. Graham   |
| 8. M. Walker     | 8. C. See      |
| 9. J. Mcase      | 9. F. Hunold   |
| 10. J. Moore     | 10. B. Walker  |
| 11. C. Thompson  | 11. P. Merrick |

Res.: R. Rogers

Res.: D. Ruges  
D. Hannaford

W. CANTELO, Manager

Manager:  
J. PATERSON  
F. FORD, Coach

Referee: K. Lambert  
Linesmen: A. Snedden; R. Adams

# SOCCER THE STATE OVER

By ALAN FORBES

Soccer in the State of New South Wales is under a vast and comprehensive organisation. The N.S.W. Soccer Football Association Ltd. is the parent body of all Soccer in New South Wales, excluding of course, the unaffiliated and disqualified Federation of Soccer Clubs. Under the Association, but having complete autonomy in their own spheres are a large number of affiliated groups, which in themselves are big organisations.

The Metropolitan Soccer League, which is affiliated with the parent body, could be said to be the nursery of State League football in the Sydney area, and it was purely for this purpose that the Metrops., as they are commonly known was founded in 1943. The worth of this organisation can be demonstrated by the number of ex-Metrop. Clubs now playing First Division football. Among them are such teams as Auburn, Manly, North Shore, Prague, Sydney Austral, Bankstown, Gladesville - Ryde, Sutherland and many 2nd and 3rd Division Clubs in previous years. The success of the Metrops. in its aim to foster new clubs have been proven over and over again, and it was only through the Metrops. that New Australians could form themselves into National Clubs, which helps to make Soccer unique among sports in Australia. The very success of the Metrops. creates a perpetual problem for that organisation, in that losing its strength as its successful teams go to higher divisions, its own competitions are kept in a state of "flux" and a continual job of refilling the ranks is in the hands of the Metrop. Management Committee.

Of all the affiliated bodies to the N.S.W. Association, the biggest is the New South Wales Junior Soccer Football Association. Perhaps the word "Junior" could be misleading because not all of this organisation's work is concentrated on the children, and in fact in 1957, 280 of their teams were "all-age." This is partly because the Juniors cover all Country Affiliated Districts. Affiliated with the Junior body are 13 Sydney District Associations, and 10 Country Associations, which represented last season, 1,116 teams. Of the District Associations, affiliated with the main Junior body, by far the biggest is the Protestant Churches, a vast organisation in its own right, which controlled 242 teams in 1957.

The Country District Associations cover the whole State, from the Australian Capital Territory to the mountainous North-West District, and from Wagga to the Western area around Parkes. The Junior body has expanded over past years with new Associations and more teams, and the horizon seems limitless in scope for their advancement.

One of the most important branches is the N.S.W. Soccer Referees' Association, which is also affiliated with the N.S.W. Soccer Football Association. The Referees' complete independence and freedom of action in their own affairs is an established principle agreed upon by the N.S.W. Association and the Referees. This is as it should be and gives in all who play under them great confidence in their absolute impartiality in the interpretation of the Rules under which they play.

Inside the Referees' own organisation, there is a complete training school and system of examiners that ensure a high



standard of refereeing from those appointed to control games. An applicant desirous of joining the Referees must first submit himself to a theory exam which covers in all a hundred and twenty odd oral questions, covering the Laws of the Game. If he is successful in passing this exam, he is required to officiate as a referee of a Metropolitan Soccer League competition match as a Field Test. During this Field Test he is viewed by a Branch Examiner who will recommend him, if satisfactory, for his Referee's Certificate. The new referee will then receive appointments to Metropolitan fixtures, until such time as he sits for and passes an examination for his State Referee's Certificate. To maintain the high standard required by the Referees' Association the examiners and inspectors, who are non-active members and who have had long experience of active refereeing behind them, spend their time at Soccer matches viewing the referee and linesmen in action, and if necessary, passing on advice to the officials viewed.

The Referees' can be justly proud of their organisation, which developed and perfected over the years, compares favourably with any Referees' organisation in the world.

In the schools, Soccer is fostered by the Public Schools Amateur Athletic Association, a vast organisation dedicated to promoting all sport in the public schools, and in the High Schools by the C.H.S. Amateur Athletic Association. In both of these organisations you will find no keener Soccer enthusiasts anywhere than the teachers and sports masters who support and conduct the Soccer competitions. The N.S.W. Soccer Football Association every year assists the schoolboys and the N.S.W. Junior Soccer Football Association with donations of trophies, free passes to League fixtures, etc., besides financial assistance, which in 1957, despite the Soccer split, amounted to over £2,000. For years the Association have been trying to foster a greater interest in their Sydney and Daniels Cup competitions, for gate proceeds from these competitions are appropriated for Junior

Senior football is under the control of the newly-formed Northern and Southern Leagues. These two Leagues, with their own executive and management committees, were formed at the end of the 1957 season by the N.S.W. Association in an effort to find common ground for unity talks with the break-away Federation body. That this move and others proposed by the Association failed to find this, is not the fault of the Association but a condemnation of the dictatorial attitude of a few men in control of the Federation Management Committee.

The Senior body in the State of N.S.W. is the New South Wales Soccer Football Association, a limited company whose shareholders are spread throughout the Soccer ranks of the State. They hold regular meetings throughout the year to discuss the conduct and progress of the company and at any time can call special meetings on the application of four or more shareholders. The shareholders and the Clubs and Associations they represent elect the controlling body of the Association, which is comprised of nine directors. Three of these retire annually, and nominations received from the Soccer bodies represented by a shareholder. Directors thus can come from the Metropolitan Soccer League, the N.S.W. Junior Soccer Football Association, the Referees' Association or the Senior Clubs. The nominees are elected by these bodies on a majority vote to the Board, but are required to retire from their official positions previously held to ensure an impartial judgment in their new duties as a controlling official of Soccer in N.S.W.

This then is Soccer the State over, a democratic Soccer tie-up allowing autonomy to every Soccer section, yet, at the same time, having a say in controlling Soccer in the State by the election of men of ability to the Board of Control

## NEXT WEEK'S CLUB GAMES

### STATE PREMIERSHIP

#### ROUND SIX — SOUTHERN SECTION

##### FIRST DIVISION

SUNDAY, 11th MAY, 1958

Leichhardt v. E.P.T. ....	Lambert Park, Leichhardt
Manly v. Granville .....	Dee Why Oval
Auburn v. Sutherland .....	Macarthur Park, Granville
St. George v. Pymont-Balmain .....	Prince Edward Park, Carlton

##### SECOND DIVISION

Merrylands v. Bondi .....	Merrylands Park
Toongabbie v. Artarmon .....	Toongabbie Oval
University v. Glebe .....	University Oval No. 2
Neerlandia v. Lansvale .....	Kitchener Park, Mona Vale

2nd DIVISION SATURDAY AND SUNDAY DATES TO BE DETERMINED

#### ROUND FIVE — NORTHERN SECTION

##### FIRST DIVISION

Blacksmiths v. Awaba .....	Blacksmiths Football Ground
Newcastle Austral v. Merewether .....	Charlestown Oval
Adamstown v. Wallsend .....	Adamstown Oval
Weston v. Cessnock .....	Weston Park
West Wallsend v. East Lakes .....	Johnstons Ground, West Wallsend
Mayfield United v. Cardiff .....	Mayfield Park

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY DATES NOT TO HAND

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Friday Night's "Sun"  
Saturday's "Daily Telegraph"