Dinmore Bush Rats Soccer Club

(1888-1915)

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Introduction

The History of Dinmore Bush Rats is written to acknowledge the rich History of a club that played a large part in the development of the game in Ipswich.Through it's players administrators and supporters the club became an integral part of Dinmore life.
The achievements on and off the field provided the district with a sense of pride.

My interest in the club comes from being my first Junior club and listening to the stories of my father who played in the 1950 Premiership team.
In researching for this history i also uncovered that my Great Grandfather Matthew Bailey was involved in the formation of the club in 1888 and was club President and long time Ipswich Football administrator.

Dinmore Bush Rats remains the most successful club in terms of Trophies won in the Brisbane and Ipswich competition despite not having competed since 1966.

In 1966 having fallen on hard times the club merged with St Helens and ultimately became Ipswich Knights.
From the eighties until his death in 2012 Lloyd Verrall who played for the club in the fifties resurrected the club in the lower divisions and also as a Junior club and his efforts are acknowledged.

It is encouraging to see the club which refuses to die has once again sprung in to life thanks to the efforts of Scott Morrison who in 2017 brought the club back and one day may yet return to the glory days of the past.

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History of Ipswich Football from 1886 to 1918

The Ipswich clubs' success may be attributed to a number of reasons: Ipswich "enjoyed prosperity during the boom of the 1880s, there was remarkable growth of mining and miners swelled the population of the Ipswich area. Many of these miners had emigrated from Great Britain, where they would have experienced the enormous growth of professional association football there in the late nineteenth century.

The Ipswich colliery owners also encouraged the growth of football: "Ebbw Vale Memorial Park was first known as the Whitwood ground, as in the early 1890s the owners of the Whitwood Colliery made the land available for their employees to use as a football ground … Several collieries had football teams formed by miners including Stafford brothers at Dinmore, Wright's at Tivoli and Lewis Thomas at Blackstone.

The game in Ipswich did not have the same level of competition for players as there was in Brisbane from the other established football codes: it was reported in 1898 that "The [Association] game has recently taken a strong hold here [Ipswich], especially since Ipswich has been unable to muster a senior Rugby team

It also has a big following at Blackstone, Bundamba, Dinmore. As well as these factors, it is likely there was a fierce rivalry with Brisbane, particularly as the latter town had become the capital of Queensland ahead of Ipswich in 1859. Towards the end of the 1899 season, a match between South Brisbane and the ultimate Premiers, Bush Rats, was played at the "Rugby Union Ground, Bowen Bridge Road … Admission Sixpence; Ladies free" (the result is not recorded).

The first soccer game played in Ipswich took place on the North Ipswich Reserve on 26 June 1886. Ipswich became officially involved with the Association from 1887. In 1889, the Association changed its name to the Queensland British Football Association.

The name Dinmore comes from the Village 'Hope under Dinmore 'in Herefordshire England

Source: History of Brisbane Football

1875

First game of British Association Football

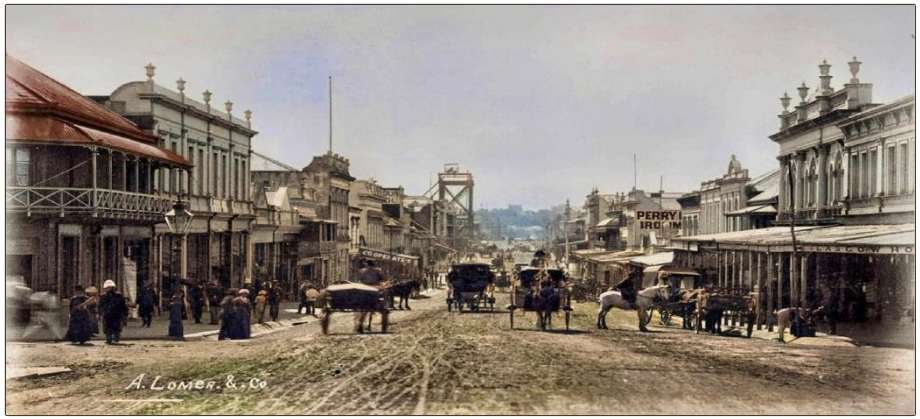
A game took place on Saturday 7 August 1875 in Woogaroo (now Goodna) just outside of Brisbane. The *Queenslander* of 14 August reported that the Brisbane Football Club met the inmates and warders of the Woogaroo Lunatic Asylum on the football field in the grounds of the Asylum:

"*… 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.*"

This is a direct reference to British Association Rules.

1884

The First Meeting of The Anglo-Queensland Football Association is held in 1884 at the Australian Hotel in Brisbane



(Australian Hotel(far left)

Source: History of Brisbane Football Photos Ipswich Art Gallery / John Oxley Library

1888

Dinmore Bush Rats are formed

The name was coined by Bill Hansell when clearing the first ground

New Chum Bush Rats

Active 1888-1894 (Briefly Celtic in 1895)

Ground: New Chum Colliery Nunn's Paddock(1893)

Dinmore Bush Rats

1895 Dinmore Bush Rats

1934 Withdrew: Continued as a Junior club

1947 Senior Club reforms.

1962 (merged with Redbank Seekers to become Redbank Dinmore United)

1966 Merged with St Helens(Reformed in the seventies and again in 2017)

Colours: Navy Blue (1895) Amber and Black (1904) White(1905) Black and Gold (1910)

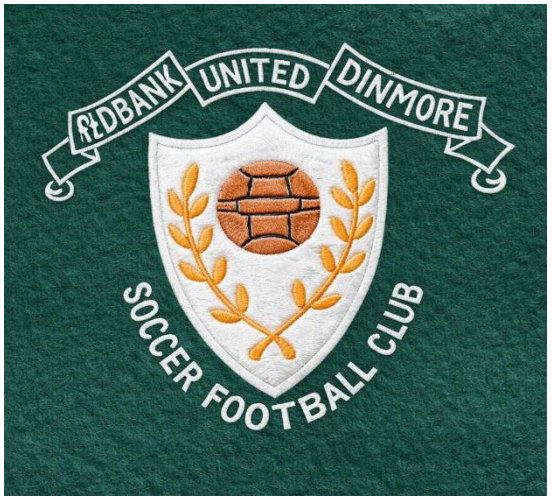
Grounds:

Nunn's Paddock Dinmore

River Road Dinmore

Queen st Dinmore

River Rd Riverview



Formation of Bush Rats

***Joseph Potts(New Chum Bush Rats)** *(1)*

When Dinmore Bush Rats first formed up they cleared a ground burning timber beyond the New Chum road bridge near Stafford Brothers property. The naming of the club was discussed and all agreed as they had worked in the dark with miners lamps that Bush Rats was the appropriate name

***Joseph Potts(Dinmore Bush Rats move to Reliance Ground)** *(2)*

We fenced it with barbed wire(4 rows).I remember well we christened it playing Booval Stars we charged sixpence and took 50 pounds

***1893 Queensland Times report on Bush Rats ground** *(3)*

Ground which is situated almost opposite the pottery works, close by the New Chum Colliery a newly cleared spot, the work in connection with which was done by the Rats during their spare evenings, and, judging by the quantity and size of the timber in the surroundings, it was no light undertaking either, some of the logs being utilised as seats for the spectators on both sides of the boundary.

(Nunn's Paddock owned by Amos and Isabella Nunn from 1858-1902)
Nunn's Paddock is now the site of the Ipswich meatworks

*Reg Erskine History of Ipswich Soccer

Source:Trove Newspapers *Photo Picture Ipswich*

***Tom Barker(1912) Queensland Times** *"Bush Rats were founded 24 years earlier" (4)*

***Tom (Old Sport) Barker 1923**

Thirty odd years ago, the original T'Rats cut out. a nice ground, clearing it of trees, on the "New Chum" Colliery side of the railway, where in the evenings it was quite an entertainment to watch the boys training while the womenfolk-young and old occupied seats on the logs, knitting and singing, with large fires in full swing adjacent.

***Matthew Bailey (1924 Reunion)** (5)

In those days there were no playing pitches, but the dense scrub did not prevent 13 stout-hearted lovers of football from playing their favourite game. They set to work with a will, and many a time the moon was well up before they ceased their labours. Eventually they cleared a patch big enough to play on and it was the proud boast of those original Bush Rats that they ***never suffered defeat during, four seasons on their home ground.*** *When the work of clearing the three grounds was completed, the question cropped up. 'What shall we call the team?" according to Mr Bailey one 'night this happy band of enthusiasts knocked off for a smoke. It was a dark night and as they sat around the fire one of them, Bill Hansell suggested that as they were like a lot of bush rats why not call the club that name and they did so. The comment was made to George Duck as reported in the Daily Standard 28th March 1930*

***William Henry Jones (1926)**

Mr. Junes, who was 58 years of age played with Blackstone Rovers over 30 years ago, and later assisted the Callbacks Several times he represented Ipswich against Brisbane. He also will be remembered as one of those who founded the present Bush Rats F.C

***Ernest Rumble(1945)** (5)

Many years ago, when the club was preparing one of its other playing areas, members worked till well after dark. "Come on, we'd better go home." said one of their number otherwise people will think we are bush rats."Since then the name has stuck and always has meant something in the Soccer world.

From 1890 when they first competed until the start of WW1 Dinmore Bush Rats would win 22 Premierships and 20 Shields and Cups in 24 Years

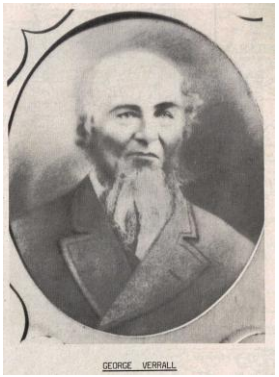
Dinmore Bush Rats Clubhouse destroyed by arsonists 2009 Queensland Times by Rob Lockyear)

William Joseph Lynch (1850-1910)

William Joseph Lynch arrives from County Wrexford Ireland at age 12.
William is involved with others in forming New Chum Bushrats and is President from 1895-1904
He was the Headmaster of Redbank State School and the first Headmaster at Dinmore State School from 1891 until his death
.
He introduced the School Arbor day celebrations which continued until 1935
He was founding member of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association and President from 1895-1898
He also formed the Dinmore Cricket Club and Dinmore Rifle Club.
The High alter in St Mary's church has the inscription" erected to the memory of William Joseph Lynch and family March 19,1919)
William's sister Mary came to Australia with William and became the first Assistant teacher at Dinmore State School
William's son William became President of Bush Rats in 1923

William Joseph Lynch

Thomas Verrall (1848-1908)



Thomas Verrall was the son of George and Sarah who arrived in Ipswich in 1850
He was killed in 1908 at the Rhondda Coal mine
Thomas had six sons who played for Dinmore Bush Rats George,Herbert,Ernest Arthur,Walter,Norman
Alfred played for Dinmore
Arthur,Ernie and Herbert all represented Ipswich Arthur and Ernie four times and Herbert two times
Albert and Herbert Verrall owned a poeetery in Dinmore
Arthur also represented Qld five times from 1912-1913 and coached Redbank
Ernest's sons Lloyd,Cecil,and twins Alan and Leslie all play for Bush Rats
Lloyd was in the 1950 Premiership team and also played for Bundamba Rangers
Lloyd spent years attempting to revive Dinmore Bush Rats club following the merger with St Helens in 1966.
Dinmore Bush Rats would take the field again in 2018 in the Qld Christian Soccer Association.
Alan and Leslie were in the 1953 Blackstone Rovers premiership side.Noman who was a World War 1 Veteran son Col played for Dinmore Bush Rats.Col served in WW 2.Alan,Cec,Col,Eric,Leslie,Lloyd, Les made a comeback in 1968 for Oxley. Alfred's Grandson Gledyson played for St Helens
John the son of Vincent represented Ipswich and John represented Qld in 1969.

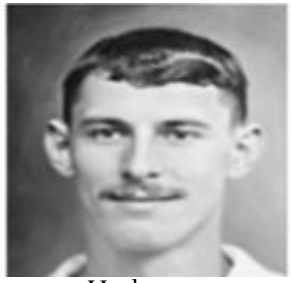
Ernest

Arthur

Norman

Lloyd

Alan


Herbert

Les

Col

Cec

Thomas

John

Eric

Bruce

Thomas	**(1848-1908)**
Children	
Alfred	(1873-1918)
George	(1875-1962)
Herb	(1875-1958)
Ernie	(1882-1957)
Arthur	(1884-1965)
Walter	(1890-1985)
Norman	(1893-1974)
Ernie	**(1882-1957)**
Children	
Cecil	(1920-2005)
Lloyd	(1928-2012)
Alan	(1929-2012)
Leslie	(1929-2013)
Norman	**(1893-1974)**
Children	
Colin	(1921-2012)
Vincent	**(1919-1948)**
John	(1949-2006)
Alfred	**(1873-1918)**
Children	
Thomas	(1907-1965)
Children	
Gledyson	(1949-1972)

Alan	Dinmore Bush Rats (1946-1952,1956,1958)
Alfred	Dinmore (1892-1894)
Arthur	Dinmore Bush Rats (1904-1912,1919,1921) Booval Stars(1910) Goodna (1913-1914) Bundamba Rangers (1920)
Bruce	Coalstars (1975-1976)
Cec	Dinmore Bush Rats (1937,1941,1946-1948,1950-1951)
Col	Booval Stars (1938-1939) St Helens(1940-1941) Dinmore Bush Rats (1946-1951)
Eric	Booval Stars (1980)
Ernie	Dinmore Bush Rats (1902-1903,1906-1908,1910,1912-1914) Reliance (1902,1904-1905)
Eric	St Helens (1962-1969)
George	Riverview(1895) Dinmore Bush Rats (1899)

Gleydson	St Helens 1968
Herb	Dinmore Bush Rats (1898-1907)
Jim	Rustlers(1931) Dinmore Bush Rats(1929,1933-1936)
John	St Helens (1963-1977)
Les	Dinmore Bush Rats (1946-1952,1956-1959) Blackstone Rovers (1947,1953,1954,1957) Oxley (1965,1968)
Lloyd	Booval Stars(1939) Dinmore Bush Rats (1946-1948,1950,1951,1952,1955-1958) Bundamba Rangers(1949)
Norman	Dinmore Bush Rats (1912)
S Verrall	Arsenal (1938)
Walter	Dinmore Bush Rats (1910-1911)

Joseph Hudson (1847-1933) William Hudson (1841) George Hudson (1850-1927) William Hudson (1856-1902)

Joseph, George and the two Williams were born in Westbury, England arriving in Australia in 1874 on the sailing vessel Derbyshire
Joseph and George and Matthew Bognuda started the Reliance pipe works at Dinmore

Joseph played in the first ever match in 1886 for Bundamba Rovers and was Vice President of Dinmore Bush Rats and provided post-game suppers at the Dinmore (Workers) Club, and supplied a silver trophy for the second division competition in 1895.

Joseph's son Alfred Thomas was Patron and President of Dinmore Bush Rats
His daughter Ella married Queensland representative and St Helens Life member Len Warrell)
Son Leonard took over the Pottery and Alfred Leonard (1935-1990) played for St Helens and Ipswich Grandson Michael also played

Mary married Ernest Skellern and son Arthur Ernest was a WW1 Veteran
Joseph's son Arthur was captain of Reliance and also played for Dinmore Bush Rats
He was Secretary of Reliance and he became a referee in to his fifties

George's children were Frank who played for Reliance and represented Ipswich twice and was a Dinmore Bush Rats Delegate
Edward Thomas played for Dinmore and won Premierships with Dinmore Bush Rats in 1895,1905,1906,1907 and was Patron of Rosebells Football Club and married to Elizabeth Haswell the sister of Percy and Aunt of Desmond who played for Blackstone Rovers

Mervyn Haswell won a Premiership in 1941 and represented Ipswich three times
William won Premierships with Dinmore Bush Rats in 1895.He married Maria Bognuda whose brothers Matthew,Henry, played soccer also

Hudson Street, Dinmore was named after the Hudson family

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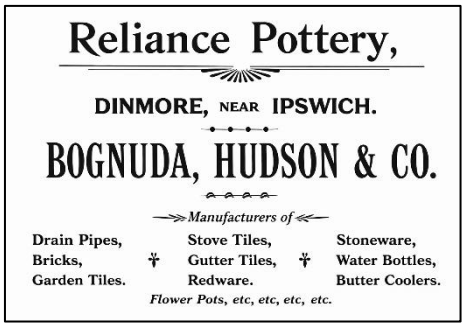


1902 advertisement

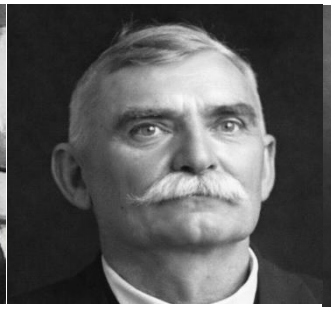
Joseph, Edward, George, William

Arthur

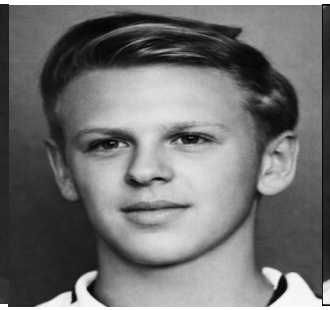
Joseph	**(1847-1933)**
Alice	**(1848-1933)**
Children	
Alfred T	(1879-1951)
Arthur J	(1882-1949)
Mary	(1875-1948)
Alfred	**(1879-1951)**
Children	
Leonard	(1902-1984)
Children	
Alfred	(1935-1990
George	**(1850-1927)**
Children	
Edward T	(1871-1940)
William	(1875-1956)
Frank	(1883-1948)

Alfred	Dinmore Bush Rats (1947,1952) St Helens(1956) Blackstone Rovers (1958)
Arthur	Dinmore Bush Rats (1899) Reliance (1903-1904)
Edward	Dinmore(1894) Dinmore Bush Rats (1895-1896,1905-1907)
Frank	Reliance (1904)
Joseph	Queenslanders (1886)
Joseph	Rosebells(1912)
Thomas	Dinmore Bush Rats (1905-1907)
William	Dinmore Bush Rats (1895-1896)

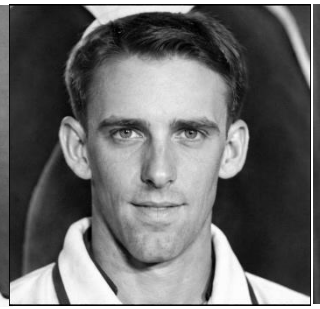
Frank



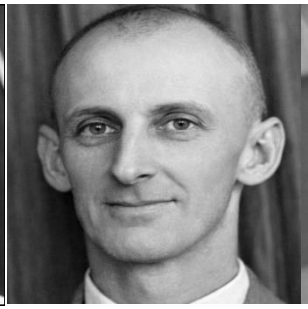
Edward Thomas



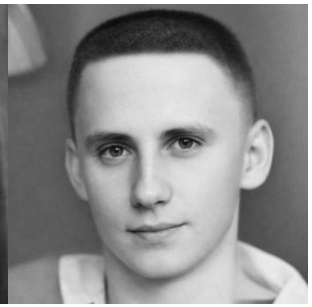
Alfred Leonard



Mervyn Haswell



Percy Haswell



Desmond Haswell

1878

Alexander Stewart (Born 1873)

Alec(Sandy)Stewart

Alexander Stewart Premiership player and future President and Patron arrives from Scotland.
He will captain Bush Rats for nine years. He is a founding member of the Pride of Dinmore.
His son in law is Robert Jeffrey Alec(Sandy) started working in the mines at 12 years of age.
He was also an accomplished cricketer.

Premierships won 3

1883

John Potts(1849-1911)

John Potts

John Potts arrives in Ipswich from Ireland in 1883 on the '"Almora"
He had 13 children
John will be Vice President and Secretary and Joseph(1889-1988) and will also be Secretary for 10 years from 1914-1926
John(Junior) (1874-1962) will be Vice President.
William (1872-1962) who served in the Boar War and Daniel (1892-1963) played for Bush Rats
John was also President of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association.
Daniel will become President of St Helens

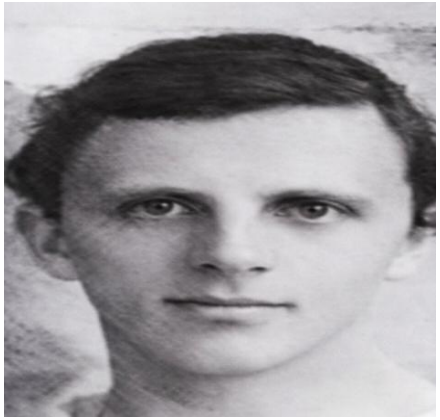
1884

William Jordan (1878-1951)

William born in London arrives in Australia in 1884 on the "Mekara" and will become Secretary of Dinmore Bush Rats and has three bothers play for the club Frederick Jordan(1883-1954) James Jordan (1877-1961) Albert (1878-)
James was also Treasurer of the club

Premierships won Albert 5 James 3 Frederick 1 William 1

William



James

Albert

Mattia Bognuda (1835-1905) Susannah (1842-1900)

Mattia Goespi was born in Switzerland and arrived in Australia in 1854 on the ship Ida in 1886
Mattia sons involved in soccer were Matthew, Victor, William, Antonio and Joseph
Matthew was born in a tent in Bendigo at the time of the gold rush
Victor played for Dinmore Bush Rats and Reliance and was President of Bush Rats
His brothers Antonio and Joseph played for Dinmore in 1891
Matthew accepted a position, to manage jointly the Dinmore Brick/Tile Works.
Two years later he, in company with Messrs Joseph and George Hudson, started the brick, tile, and pottery works at Dinmore
From the time of his arrival at Dinmore, he was amongst the foremost of those who promote the interests of football
He would be Vice President of Bush Rats and was Chairman of the Purga Council
He was for many years on the committee of the Dinmore State School and is also member of the Ipswich Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Antonio (1869-1930)	Dinmore (1891)
Clement (1901-1986)	
Edward (1902-1942)	Dinmore Bush Rats (1919,1921) Dinmore Wanderers(1932)
Henry (1908-1979)	Dinmore Bush Rats (1924,1927) Jacaranda (1925-1926) Booval Stars (1931) Rosebells (1928-1929) Bl;ackstone Rovers (1930)
Joseph (1866-1924)	Dinmore (1891)
Ken	St Helens(1955-1956) Dinmore Bush Rats (1954,1955,1957)
Matthew (1899-1975)	Dinmore Bush Rats (1914,1920-1921,1927) Dinmore Wanderers (1922,1924-1925) Jacaranda (1926) Rustlers (1928-1930)
Noel (1931-2000)	Dinmore Bush Rats (1947) St Helens (1950)
Norman (1910-1971)	St Helens (1927) Rustlers (1928) Raceview Royals (1928-1929)
Ron (1914-1984)	Rustlers (1930) Booval Stars (1929-1932,1935-1939,1941)
Victor Snr (1884-1951)	Reliance (1904) Dinmore Bush Rats(1905-1907)
Victor (1910-1989)	Dinmore Bush Rats (1927) North Town United(1928)
William (1879-1935)	

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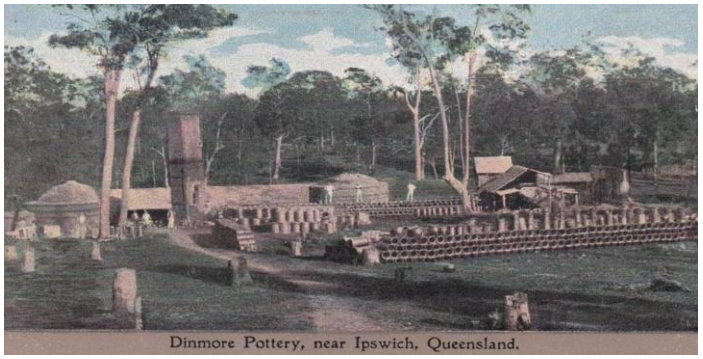
(Matthew Bognuda)



Joseph Hudson and Matthew Bognuda were Proprietors of the Dinmore Pottery

Matthew's sons Matthew, Henry, Edward, Clement played for Dinmore Bush Rats
Matthew also played for Dinmore Wanderers and Rustlers and Henry for Dinmore Bush Rats and Rosebells
Clement served in WW1/WW2. His brother Victor also played for Dinmore Bush Rats

Henry son Noel played for Bundamba Rangers
Ken represented Qld Juniors in 1954 and was in the team that won the National Championship
Ken was also and was President of Dinmore Bush Rats

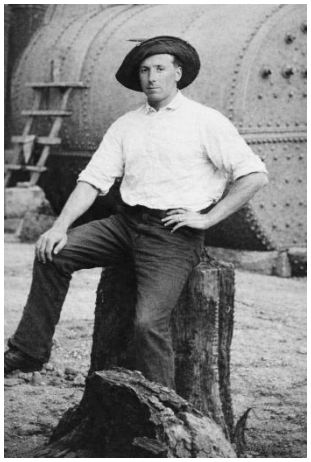
William's son Norman played for Dinmore Bush Rats
Clements son Ron for played for Booval Stars and Bundamba Rangers

Victors son Victor played for Dinmore Bush Rats and North Town United

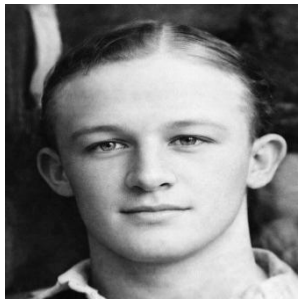
Kim Wishart who represented QLD and Australia was a descendant of Victor Bognuda's sister

Bognuda Street, Bundamba was named after Mathew Bognuda

Antonio


Mattia Bognuda (1888)

Matthew (Junior)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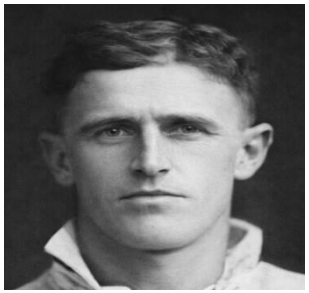
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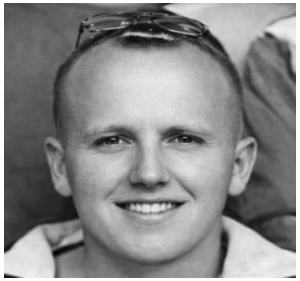

Ken

Ephraim Pedley (1819-1897) Isabella Lowe (1831-1897)

Ephrain born in Huntingdonshire,and Isabella born in Bedfordshire had 11 children
Ephrain arrived in Australia in 1854 on the "General Hewitt"
Children were Joseph(Jesse),James,Henry((Miner),John,Sarah,George,James,Alfred,Joseph,Arthur,Edith,William,Charles
Sarah married Robert Lindsay
James's son James played for Bundamba Rangers and son Norman for Booval Stars and Blackstone Rovers
Georges' son Joseph played for Dinmore Bush Rats (1911) Railway Workshops (1911)Booval Stars (1912-1913,1920)Blackstone Rovers (1914-1915,1919)St Helens (1916) Bundamba Rangers (1921-1924) and was in the 1915 and 1919 Blackstone Rovers and the 1922 Bundamba Rangers Premiership teams.He played for Ipswich three times and was Vice President of Jacaranda Soccer Club
George' son George served in WW1 and William served in WW2.William played for Blackstone Rovers in 1915

Arthurs son Alf(Spokes) played for Booval Stars/Dinmore Bush Rats/Dinmore Wanderers and the 1922 Rangers Premiership team
Arthur played 13 timed for Ipswich and four times for Queensland

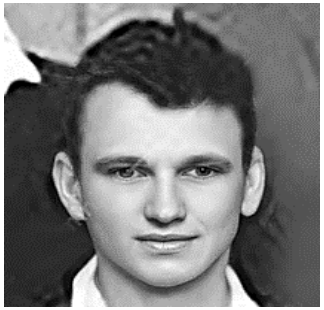
James's son Percy was in the1922,1927,1928 Bundamba Rangers and 1923 Bush Rats Premiership teams
He also played for Blackstone Rovers and played for Ipswich thee times and was a State selector
He was also Booval Stars Club Captain,Treasurer and Vice President

Leslie (1930-2018) played for St Helens and was club Secretary
Max played for Bundamba Rangers,Redbank Seekers and the 1955 St Helens Juvenile Premiership team and Ipswich Under 16 representative and 1955 under 18 Representative in 1957
George's sons George and Norman also played
John Pedley played for Coalstars in the eighties and nineties

"General Hewitt"

Alfred	Booval Stars (1913,1920,1930-1931) Dinmore Bush Rats (1914-1915,1917,1919,1927-1928,1933) Bundamba Rangers (1921-1925)
James	Bundanba Rangers (1923-1925)
John	Coalstars (1970-1972,1977,1980-1983,1991) Ipswich United (1979)
Joseph	Dinmore Bush Rats (1911) Railway Workshops (1911) Booval Stars (1912-1913,1920) Blackstone Rovers (1914-1915,1919) St Helens (1916) Bundanba Rangers (1921-1922)
Leslie	St Helens (1948-1954,1959)
Percy	Booval Stars (1914,1920,1930) Bundamba Rangers (1921-1924,1927) Dinmore Bush Rats (1917,1922-1924,1926) Blackstone Rovers (1925,1927-1929)
Max	Bundamba Rangers (1950) Redbank Seekers (1958,1960) St Helens (1954-1957)
Norman	Booval Stars (1909,1913) Blackstone Rovers (1914)
William	Booval Stars (1914,1920) Blackstone Rovers (1915)

Percy



Max

Ephraim	**(1819-1897)**
Isabella	**(1831-1897)**
Children	
James	**(1863-1947)**
Children	
James	(1895-1968)
Norman	(1891-1957)
George	**(1861-1941)**
Children	
Joseph	(1890-1960)
Norman	(1891-1957)
George	(1895-1925)
Arthur	**(1868-1892)**
Children	
Alfred	(1895-1976)
James	**(1863-1891)**
Children	
Percy	(1899-1963)
Children	
Les	(1930-2018)

Alfred
(WW1 Veteran)

Joseph
(WW1 Veteran)

Thomas Burns Ellen Burns

Thomas was a committee member of Dinmore Bush Rats
Thomas and Ellen sons were John and James
John's sons Garnet Alexander(Mick),John(James(Jack Aces) and Frank all played for Dinmore Bush Rats

James played for Dinmore Bush Rats in 1894 and 1895 and had four sons play for Dinmore Bush Rats
Thomas,James,William and Francis

Thomas was a member of the 1912 Junior Premiers/Brook Cup winners
Frank was a member of the 1925 Callow Cup Winners
James was a WW1 veteran. James Junior played Rats in the thirties

John's sons Garnet,Alexander(Mick)John(James(Jack Aces) (1900-1968) all played for Dinmore Bush Rats
Daughter Lillian(1889-1949) married Harry Brittain(1887-1926)who also played for Dinmore Bush Rats
Alexander(Arthur) and Garnet would play for Ipswich and Queensland

Arthur represented Ipswich(15) and Queensland(8)
Garnet Ipswich (11) Queensland (12) John would play for Ipswich twice
Arthur played for Ipswich against New Zealand and England
He also played for Bundamba Rangers

Garnett also played for Ivanhoes
Goodna and Blackstone Rovers and was President of Goodna Football Club

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Thomas	
Ellen	
Children	
John	(1857-1908)
James	(1863-1934)
John	**(1857-1908)**
Isabella	**(1864-1930)**
Children	
Garnett	(1888-1965)
Alexander	(1896-1945)
John(James)	(1890)
Francis	(1900-1968)
James	**(1863-1934)**
Children	
Thomas	(1894-1941)
Francis	(1894-1971)
James	(1896-1967)
William	(1900-1970)

Alexander	Dinmore Bush Rats (1910-1914,1916,1919-1927) Bundamba Rangers(1928-1930)
Francis	Dinmore Bush Rats (1910-1911)
Frank	Dinmore Wanderers (1916) Redbank Seekers (1920) Dinmore Bush Rats (1923-1925)
Garnet	Ivanhoes (1901) Dinmore Bush Rats (1905,1911,1921-1922,1925) Blackstone Rovers (1912) Goodna (1913-1915,1920)
Garnet	Dinmore Bush Rats (1930)
Harry	Dinmore Bush Rats (1914-1915)
James	Dinmore (1891-1893) Dinmore Bush Rats (1894-1895) Ipswich Rovers (1896)
James	Dinmore Bush Rats (1910-1915)
James	Dinmore Bush Rats (1930-1933)
Thomas	Dinmore Bush Rats (1912)
William	Dinmore Wanderers (1917) Dinmore Bush Rats (1919,1922,1924-1925) Bundanba Athletics (1921) Redbank Seekers (1920)

Garnet

Alexander(Mick)

James(Jack)

William Burns

John

Harry Brittain

***Premierhips won Arthur 4, Garnet 7 James 2 William 1,Harry Brittain 4**

*****Arthur would also win a Premiership with Bundamba Rangers and Garnet with Blackstone Rovers

Total Trophies

Grand Finals(Brackets) played from 1959. Playoffs also occurred in 1919/23/25/30/31/33/38/48/49
Premiers are team who finished first on points table

Club (Grand Final in Brackets)	Premiers	Tristram Shield/ Challenge Cup	Charity/Queensland/Brisbane/Java Moore/ Telegraph/Cribb and Foote,Tristram Brisbane Cups,Ambulance/ Hospital/O'Callaghan Shields,Cantle Badges Special Competition/Duce Shield	Hilton Shield	Ampol Cup and Cups from 1991	Total
Dinmore Bush Rats	22	5(Challenge Cup) 4(Tristram Shield) 2(Hetherington Cup)	9			42
Bundamba Rangers(1)	13	6(Tristram) 5(Challenge Cup) 2 (Hetherington Cup)	6	2		34
St Helens(1)	6	4 (Challenge Cup) 3 (Tristram)	9	6	1	29
Blackstone Rovers	11	5	11	2		29
Latrobe(5)	9	7	7	5		28
Hollandia/Lions/Roar(11)	16				6	22
Azzurri/Brisbane City(12)	8		3		9	20
Hellenic/St George(2)	8		1	2	6	19
Thistle Grange Thistle(4)	2	3	7 (1 Inter City,2 South Brisbane Memorial Cup)		2	14
Corinthians(1)	4	1	1	1		7
Rochedale Rovers(4)	5				3	8
North Star(3)	4				4	8
Brisbane Strikers(2)	5				2	7
YMCA	3	1	1	2		7
Dinmore Wanderers	2	2(Challenge Cup) 1(Tristram)	2			7

List of trophy winners (1884-2019)

Year	Premiership Combined Brisbane/ Ipswich	Premiership Brisbane	Premiership Ipswich and West Moreton/Challenge Cup	Charity Cup
1884	Rangers			
1885	St Andrews			
1886	St Andrews			
1887	St Andrews			
1888	Thistles			
1889				
1890				
1891			Blackstone Rovers	
1892			Dinmore Bush Rats	
1893		Rosebanks	Dinmore Bush Rats	
1894		Normans	Dinmore Bush Rats	Rosebanks
1895	Dinmore Bush Rats			Normans
1896	Blackstone Rovers			Blackstone Rovers
1897	Rosebank			Rosebanks
1898	Dinmore Bush Rats			Dinmore Bush Rats
1899	Dinmore Bush Rats			Dinmore Bush Rats
1900	Dinmore Bush Rats (Brisbane Challenge Cup)		Dinmore Bush Rats	
1901			Dinmore Bush Rats Dinmore Bush Rats(Challenge Cup)	
1902			Dinmore Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers(Challenge Cup)	
1903			Dinmore Bush Rats	Dinmore Bush Rats
1904	Blackstone Rovers B			Blackstone Rovers

Year	Premiership Combined Brisbane/ Ipswich	Premiership Brisbane	Champions	Premiership Ipswich and West Moreton(Challenge Cup)	Charity Cups
1905	Wellington			Dinmore Bush Rats	Wellington
1906		Wellington		Dinmore Bush Rats	Wellington
1907	Dinmore Bush Rats				
1908				Dinmore Bush Rats	
1909		Wellington		Bundamba Rangers	Dinmore Bush Rats
1910	Dinmore Bush Rats			Dinmore Bush Rats (Ipswich Challenge Cup)	Dinmore Bush Rats
1911	Bulimba Rangers Dinmore Bush Rats(First Grade Cup)				Bulimba Rangers
1912	Blackstone Rovers			St Helens (Ipswich Hetherington Cup)	Bulimba Rangers
1913		Bulimba Rangers		Bundamba Rangers Bundamba Rangers (Ipswich Hetherington Cup)	Toowong Stars Blackstone Rovers (Ipswich Cup)
1914		Toowong Caledonians		Bundamba Rangers Dinmore Bush Rats (Ipswich Hetherington Cup)	Corinthians Ipswich City (Ipswich Cup)
1915		Corinthians		Blackstone Rovers Dinmore Bush Rats (Ipswich Hetherington Cup)	Brisbane City (Dinmore Bush Rats Ipswich Cup)
1916					Bundamba Rangers (Ipswich Cup)
1917					
1918				Blackstone Rovers	
1919		Eskgroves	Pineapple Rovers	Blackstone Rovers Bundamba Rangers (Challenge Cup)	Bulimba Rangers Dinmore Bush Rats (Ipswich Cup)

Year	Premiership Combined Brisbane/ Ipswich	Premiership Brisbane	Champions	Premiership Ipswich/ West Moreton/Challenge Cup	Charity/Telegraph/Queensland Cup Special Competition	Tristram Shield
1920		Corinthians		Dinmore Bush Rats Dinmore Bush Rats (Challenge Cup)	Pineapple Rovers Dinmore Bush Rats (Ipswich Cup)	
1921	Dinmore Bushrats			Dinmore Bush Rats (Challenge Cup)	Thistle Dinmore Bush Rats (AmbulanceCup)	Corinthians
1922	Bundamba Rangers			Dinmore Bush Rats (Challenge Cup)	Pineapple Rovers Thistles(Brisbane Cup)	Dinmore Bush Rats
1923	Dinmore Bush Rats		Thistle	Bundamba Rangers (Challenge Cup)		Bundamba Rangers
1924		Pineapple Rovers		Bundamba Rangers (Challenge Cup) Bundamba Rangers (Hetherington Cup)	Dinmore Bush Rats Thistles(Brisbane Cup)	Dinmore Bush Rats
1925		Pineapple Rovers	Pineapple Rovers	Dinmore Bush Rats (Challenge Cup not contested)	Latrobe Blackstone Rovers (Ambulance Shield)	Latrobe
1926	Blackstone Rovers Thistle (Inter City Cup)			Blackstone Rovers (Challenge Cup)	Latrobe Blackstone Rovers(Special Competition)	Blackstone Rovers
1927	Bundamba Rangers			Bundamba Rangers (Challenge Cup)	Latrobe	Latrobe
1928	Bundamba Rangers			Bundmaba Rangers (Challenge Cup)	Latrobe(Moore Cup)	Dinmore Bush Rats
1929	Latrobe			St Helens (Challenge Cup)	Latrobe(Moore Cup) Bundamba Rangers (Special Competition)	Latrobe

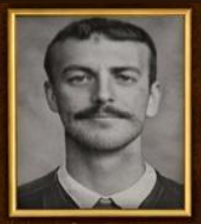
Year	Premiership Combined Brisbane/ Ipswich	Premiership Brisbane	Champions	Premiership Ipswich / West Moreton Challenge Cup	CharityTelegraph/QueensLand Cup,Special Competition	Tristram Shield	Hilton Shield
1930		Latrobe	Latrobe	Dinmore Wanderers Rosebells (Challenge Cup)	Norman Park(Queensland Cup) Bundamba Rangers (Special Competition)	Latrobe	Pineapple Rovers
1931		Latrobe	Latrobe	Bundamba Rangers St Helens (Challenge Cup)	Latrobe(Queensland Cup) Blackstone Rovers (Special Competition)	Latrobe	Latrobe
1932		Latrobe		Rosebells St Helens(Challenge Cup)	Latrobe(Queensland Cup) St Helens(Java Cup)	Latrobe	Latrobe
1933		Latrobe	Latrobe	Rosebells Dinmore Wanderers (Challenge Cup)	St Helens(Java Cup)	Dinmore Wanderers	Latrobe
1934		YMCA		Dinmore Wanderers Dinmore Wanderers (Challenge Cup)	Dinmore Wanderers (Telegraph Cup/ Special Competition)	Latrobe	YMCA
1935		Latrobe		Booval Stars	Booval Stars (Special Competition)	Booval Stars	Latrobe
1936		YMCA		Bundamba Rangers Booval Stars(Challenge Cup)		Milton	Latrobe
1937	Bundamba Rangers						
1938	Bundamba Rangers		Bundamba Rangers			Booval Stars	
1939	Bundamba Rangers					Bundamba Rangers	
1940	Corinthians					YMCA	YMCA
1941	Blackstone Rovers					St Helens	Bundamba Rangers
1942-3	No competition						
1944	St Helens						Blackstone Rovers

Year	Premiers	Champions	Charity/Telegraph/Tristram/Cribb and Foote/Memorial Cups Ambulance/ O'Callaghan/Bond Shield	Tristram Shield	Hilton Shield	Ampol Cup
1945	St Helens				Eastern Suburbs	St Helens
1946	YMCA			Bundamba Rangers	St Helens	
1947	St Helens			St Helens	St Helens	
1948	St Helens	St Helens	St Helens(Telegraph Cup)	St Helens	St Helens	
1949	St Helens	Corinthians	St Helens(O'Callaghan Shield) Bundamba Rangers(Cribb and Foote Cup) Blackstone Rovers(Special Competition)	Bundamba Rangers	St Helens	
1950	Dinmore Bush Rats		Bundamba Rangers(Cribb and Foote Cup) YMCA (O'Callaghan Shield)	Thistle	Corinthians	
1951	Easts		Blackstone Rovers (Cribb and Foote Cup) Easts(O'Callaghan Shield)	Thistle	Caledonians	
1952	Corinthians		St Helens (Cribb and Foote Cup) Bundamba Rangers(O'Callaghan Shield)	Thistle	Caledonians	
1953	Blackstone Rovers		St Helens(Cribb and Foote) Blackstone Rovers(Ambulance Shield) Caledonians(O'Callaghan Shield)	Blackstone Rovers	Blackstone Rovers	
1954	Dinmore Bush Rats		St Helens(Cribb and Foote Cup) Dinmore Bush Rats(Ambulance Shield) Easts(O'Callaghan Shield)	Bundamba Rangers	Blackstone Rovers	
1955	Bundamba Rangers			Dinmore Bush Rats	Bundaqmba Rangers	
1956	St Helens		St Helens(Ambulance Shield)	Easts	St Helens	
1957	Bundamba Rangers			Bundamba Rangers		
1958	Oxley			Oxley	Oxley	
1959	Annerley	Annerley			Hellenic	Oxley
1960	Hellenic	Hellenic				Hellenic
1961	Hellenic	Azzurri	Hellenic(Bond Memorial Cup)			Hellenic
1962	Hellenic	Merton Rovers				Hellenic
1963	Hellenic	Hellenic				Hellenic

Dinmore Bush Rats Football Club

Presidents

William Lynch


George Duck

Michael Jeffrey

David McInnes

Matthew Bailey

Alexander Stewart

Alfred Hudson

Frank Corbutt

Richard Jackson

Norman Bavister

C Lowe

Neville Hillard

David Grimmond

Ken Bogunda

Lloyd Verrall

Scott Morrison

1890-1891	William Lynch
1892-1893	George Duck
1894-1895	Michael Jeffrey
1895-1904	William Lynch
1904-1905	Donald McInnes
1906-1916	Matthew Bailey
1919-1920	Alexander Stewart
1920-1921	O Butt
1921-1922	Alexander Stewart
1922-1923	William Devlin
1923-1924	William J Lynch
1924-1926	Alexander Stewart
1926-1927	Alfred Hudson
1927-1928	Matthew Bailey
1928-1929	Victor Bognuda
1929-1930	W G Cutler
1931-1933	Alfred Hudson
1945-1947	Frank Corbutt
1947-1949	Richard Jackson
1950-1951	Frank Corbutt
1952-1953	Richard Jackson
1954-1956	C Lowe
1956-1957	L Jackson
1957-1960	David Grimmond
1960-1961	Norman Bavister
1961-1962	C Lowe
1966-1967	Nev Hillard
1975-1977	Ken Bognuda
1977-1978	C Brown
1978-1980	Lloyd Verrall
1980-1981	N D Evans
1981-1982	J Ferguson
1988-1989	Gerard Noble
1989-2013	Lloyd Verrall
2017-2026	Scott Morrison

No Champions decided

Seniors: John Campbell, Matthew Bailey, John Besgrove, George Duck, Robert Campbell, Jack Jeffrey, William Duck, Owen Coleman, William Jeffrey, Joseph Skellern, Joe Jeffrey, David Frankland, William Bailey

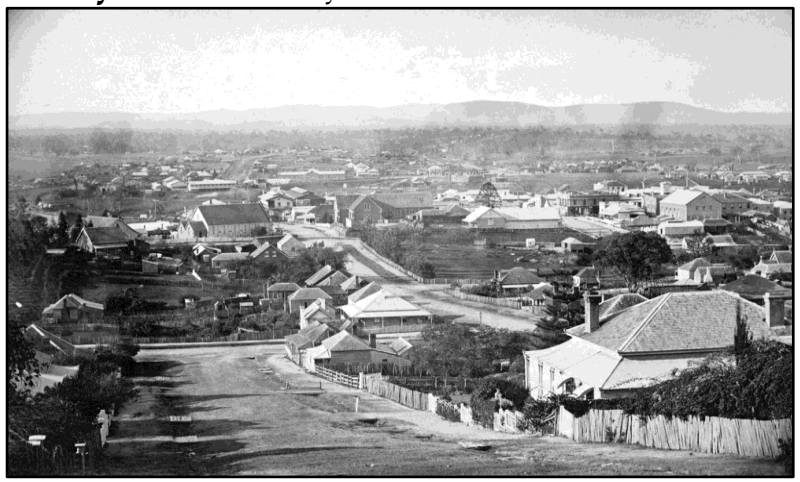
- First Interstate match (Qld vs New South Wales 1) played on the 16 August

April 22: *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (7)*

The Queensland British Football Association is formed

The annual meeting of the clubs in Brisbane and Ipswich playing under the British Football Association rules was held in the Queen's Hotel on Tuesday night. There was a very large attendance, including representatives from all the clubs and others interested in the game. Mr M Drinnan was elected chairman. The reports of last year's work were given by the secretary and treasurer, and were very favourable considering that the game has been but recently introduced here. The election of the office-bearers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. It was decided to form an association, comprising President, Vice-Presidents, and delegates from the different clubs in the colony playing these rules, under the name of the Queensland British Football Association

President : William Lynch
Secretary: Matthew Bailey



(Denmark Hill)

(1890 Flood)

Source Queensland Times Photos Picture Ipswich

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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)

Source:Vintage Qld

11th August:

Pride of Dinmore

The ‘ Pride of Dinmore’ a branch of the Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australia is formed.
A large number of Dinmore Bush Rats will be members and officials of the organisation including
The organisation raises funds to assist injured or sick workers.

Members involved in Football
Garnet Burns,Alec Campbell,John Campbell,William Dawes,Ernest Dawes,John Hainsworth,Thomas Hainsworth
Alfred Hudson Edward Hudson,James Hudson,William Hudson A Jeffrey,John JeffreyRobert Jeffrey,G Jones
Albert Jordan,W Lucas,David Nunn, David Peck,Herman Pioch,William Rolls,Jack Routledge,T Schofield
Ernest Skellern,Henry Skellern,Joseph Skellern Senior and Junior,Sidney Skellern, Alec Stewart
Arthur Wilson,Roderick Wilson,Norm Verrall,J Young, David Young,Thomas Wade

1891

Blackstone Rovers

Champions

- 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
- Ipswich and West Moreton withdrew from the Brisbane Competition after becoming discontented with their treatment by the QBFA
- Ipswich Challenge Cup commences 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 the 1937 season the trophy was no longer contested.
- The first Ipswich vs 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

Seniors : John Campbell (1866-1950) Matthew Bailey (full back1862-1941) John Besgrove (Goalkeeper 1859 1940) Charles Campbell George Duck(full back (1868- 1954) Robert Campbell (half back 1869-1957) Jack Jeffrey (wing 1873- 1948) Robert Lee William Duck (Died 1960) Owen Coleman (1870-1955) William Jeffrey (half back 1869- 1952) Joseph Skellern (right wing 1873-1955) Joe Jeffrey (half back 1871-1937) David Frankland (1858-1930) William Bailey (left wing 1869-1936)

Club colours: All white Jerseys, white shorts, black socks

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	For	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

Brisbane Courier

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

August
Formation of Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association (8)

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 theWest 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, Iast week, in the rooms of theWorkmen'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 theWest 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.

Source :Queensland Times

July 20th *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (9)*
Dinmore nil vs Bush Rats nil (18TH July)

The Dinmore's met on the Rats' ground on Saturday to try conclusions under the Association rules.
An excellent, fast and exciting contest resulting in a draw Caddies captained the Dinmore and W Duck the Rats. The play of the visiting team was superior to that of Rats in the first half, who nevertheless played in a most plucky and determined manner, G. Duck and R Lee showing up as forwards and B. Campbell and W. Jeffery as full backs for the 'Rats; while A Stewart, B Wilson, J Bognuda and W. Stanley did good service for the Dinmore's Wilson making a splendid try for a goal, but rose the all a little too high. half-time being called shortly after

The ball being pat into motion again the Rats turned on their opponents and gave the a 'little more work to defend their goal they taking advantage of half-time to instruct their men to play more in their representative places-. "' This was really the best half, the same players showing to the front as before.; ' Joseph' Jeffery for the Rats deserved credit, and 'T Wardrobe end J Atterton for the Dinmore, the latter making some splendid kicks.

The game was witnessed by a large number of spectators who vigorously applauded every piece of good play. A fair number of ladies showed up as before. The ground we very rough; and owing to the rain was unusually heavy. Mr J Bell officiated as Umpire,

(William Bailey)

(George Duck)

27th July *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (10)*
Bush Rats 1 vs Blackstone 1 (24th July)

The latter team journeyed to Dinmore, on Saturday last, to try *conclusions with the fore. named club, this being the second contest between representatives of these clubs*
.W. Taylor captained the visitors, and W. Dock acted in a similar capacity for the home team. The Blackstonite's won the toss and elected to kick with the wind. After some fast play an quick passing between the visitors who kept the local men constantly on the guard H. Gambling kicked a goal just before half time.
On resuming play, the oval was kept flying about in close quarters to the visitors sticks Alter considerable struggling J. Skellern passed the ball between the uprights, thus putting the two clubs on equal terms
The following players showed up well for the visiting team; W. Taylor, full back, and E. Wallis, T. Barker, H. Gambling, and T. Jones, forwards, whilst those who deserve special mention in the home team are C. Campbell, D. Freckling, and W Jeffries
The latter once during the game made a beautiful run, and through over anxiousness missed adding a second goal to the credit of the home club. J Skellern, G. Duck, and John Jeffery, also deserve mention.
This game was also drawn. The visitors were then entertained at a most substantial luncheon by the Bush Rate on the ground. A joyful time was spent in sampling the good things and numerous toasts were duly honoured including "The Ladies," which was responded to by Mr. W. Jeffery.
There was a goodly attendance at both these matches, including a fair sprinkling of the gentler sex. However, many of the residents of the place think it would be advisable if the club could arrange to have only one contest at time, when the number of the spectators would be greatly augmented, as there would he nothing to divide their attention.

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August 3 *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (11)*

Bush Rats nil vs Ipswich 3 (1St August)

The Ipswich team (British Association rules) journeyed down to Dinmore with six men to meet the Bush Rats on their own ground on Saturday last, and a splendid game reunited in a win for the visitors by three goals to nil.

Chief amongst the visitors were G. E. T. Shelley (captain), W. Wright, B. D. Evans, and G Inglis. For the home team, W. Jeffrey, W. Bailey, B. Lee, and W. and G. Duck showed most prominently After an hours good work the home club entertained the visitors at a capital spread in one of the houses at the New Chum, where all did ample justice to the good things provided. At 8 o'clock dancing commenced there were enough for two sets up at once, twelve ladies being present.

Dancing was kept up till 8 o'clock, when the good things were partaken of for the second time, and the usuals toasts duly honoured. Mr. G. E. T. Shelly called upon his men to give honour to the ladies, and Mr. W. Duck, captain of the home team, responded on their ' behalf, and all sang "'They are jolly good fellows," and the little gathering broke up.

(Queensland Times Building)

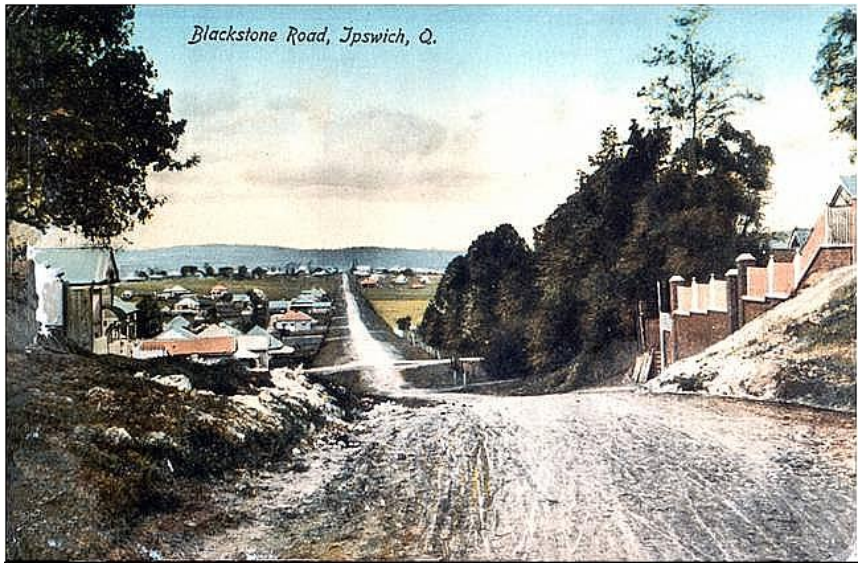
Photo Picture Ipswich

27th August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (12)*

Bush Rats 0 vs Blackstone 2 (22th August)

The New Cham Bush Rats travelled to Blackstone to try conclusions with the team of that place on Saturday last. T, Lovell led the home team, while W. Duck officiated for the Rats. Blackstone, 2: Rats, nil.

The principal players for the Winners were T. Barker, T Roberts. Nickleman, and Jones , the skipper playing a very good game: for the Rats Duck (too) .W. and J. Jeffrey, and Bailey After play was over the two teams adjourned to Mr. W. Kennedy's Racehorse Hotel, where a good spread was provided, and ample justice done to the good things Mr. Barker proposed the toast "success to the Association," in a few very appropriate words, and it was responded to by W. Jeffrey (of the Rats). Other toasts having been duly honoured, a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close.



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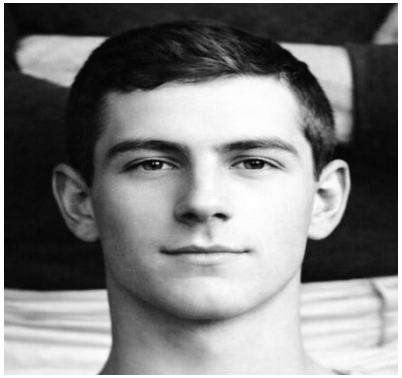


(Joe Jeffrey)

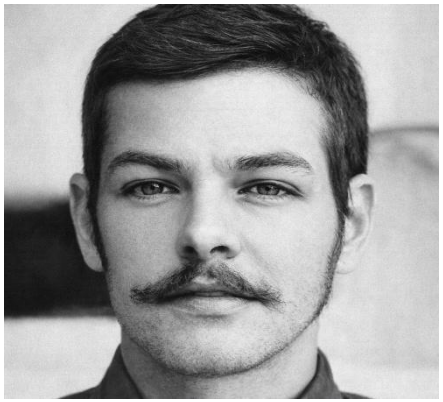
1st September August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser.(13)*

Silkstone nil vs Bush Rats 1 (29th August)

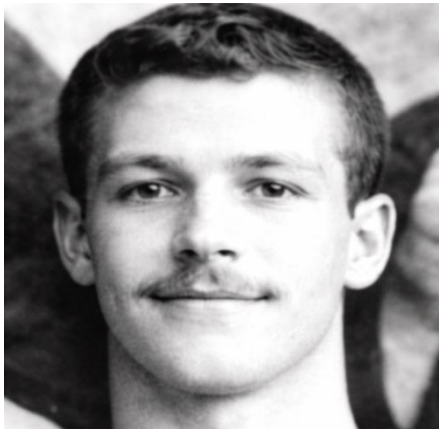
The former journeyed, on Saturday. to the New Chum, to try their strength against the Rats. The Silkstone's were captained by 'Bart. Doyle; the Bush Rats by W. Duck. The ball was set rolling at 4 p.m. sharp, and some splendid play ensued until half-time was called

After an interval of ten minutes, the oval was again set in motion, the Rats pushing their opponents pretty hard, and some scrimmaging took place before their goal, which ended by G Duck heading the leather into the goal-keeper's hand, and W. Jeffrey very ably shouldered him through, thus scoring one for the Rats. After this, both teams seemed to fall away from their good play and failed to score before time was called.

The following played well for the visitors J. Thomas, W. Jones, and D.. Bolton for the home team W. and G. Duck, W. Jeffrey, and W. Bailey,
The visitors were entertained at an excellent spread in the hall, where they made great havoo among the good things Mr. B., Doyle thanked the ladies for their good cooking, which, he said; had acted like a charm their healthy stomachs end Mr. John Bell responded on behalf of the ladies, in a few appropriate words. Altogether, a very pleasant time was spent.



(David Frankland)



(William Jeffrey)

1892

Dinmore Bush Rats Champions (Undefeated)
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

Ipswich Challenge Cup

- Dinmore Bush Rats win their first Premiership
  They also win the Ipswich Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Callbacks nil)
  They win the Premiership for next six years and will win more trophies then any other club
- William Stafford is elected President of the Ipswich Association
- The Ipswich Challenge Cup is displayed at T H Thomas Hairdressor and Tobacconist in Nicholas street
- The Brisbane Challenge Cup commences

Seniors: William Duck(Captain) John Besgrove, Joe Jeffrey, Robert Campbell, Jack Jeffrey, John Campbell, Owen Coleman, George Duck William Jeffrey, Matthew Bailey, William Bailey, Joe Skellern, Edward Ansell

Players in this era wore knee length shorts, shin pads were worn outside socks and their were no football boots. Players strapped strips of leather to the soles of there work boots to prevent slipping.

President: George Duck
Secretary: Matthew Bailey

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Goals		Points
1	Bush Rats	10	7	3	nil	27	8	16
2	Dinmore	10	5	4	1	17	11	14
3	Call Backs	10	5	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

George Duck

Joe Skellern

Joe Jeffrey

John Jeffrey

Alexander Stewart

William Lindsay

William Jeffrey

Matthew Bailey

John Besgrove

Alex Campbell

William Bailey

John Burns

David Frankland

John Campbell

Robert Campbell

William Duck
Captain

Owen Coleman

Henry Skellern

William Wright

Dimmore Bush Rats Football Club
Champions
Ipswich and West Moreton football Association
1892,1893,1894

7th June *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (14)*

Bush Rats 3 vs Silkstone Stars nil (5th June)

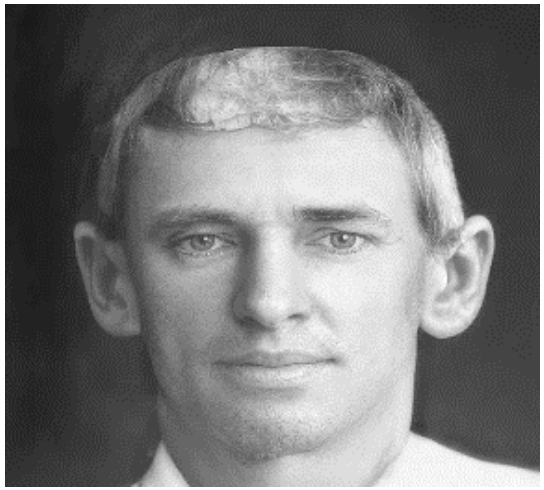
This match was played at Silkstone on Saturday that resulted in a win for Bush Rats by 3 goals to nil. The Rats were captained by W. Duck, and the Stars by D. Bolton.

The. game was very even for some time. In the first half Skellern, after some very nice passing by the Rats. kicked a goal. The second half was more in favour of the visitors when occurred two more goals Of these. the first was guided under the bar by Bailey. and the second by Franklin.

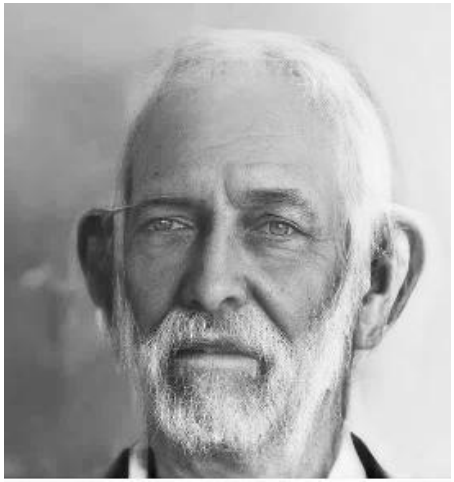
When time was called the score stood Rats 3 Goals Stars nil All the Rats played well. The members of this team are employees at the Whitwood Colliery.

They were in splendid condition having been practicing far some considerable time post. For the Stars, W. Roberts played splendidly, and he was ably assisted in his efforts to avert a defeat by D. Bolton, P. Doyle C Marsh. and A. Hogg Mr. T. Barker gave universal satisfaction as referee.

Joe Skellern(1890)



Joe Skellern
St Helens(1926) Trainer



John Besgrove
St Helens (1926)Vice President

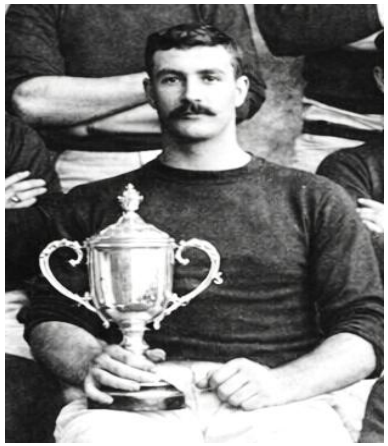
4th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (15)*

Challenge Cup Final (Bush Rats 2 vs Callbacks nil) *(1st October)*

Only one match was played on Saturday Ist for theWet Moreton Association challenge cap, the Call Backs journeying down to the Bush Rats' ground. These teams were, up till Saturday. standing highest for the cop.W. Duck, the captain of the Rots, won the toss fromW. Dobbie, who skippered the visitors A little after 4 o'clock, the ball was set in motion, and for fully half an hour it was a give and take game; while, for the next quarter, the Rats had slightly the best of the play. No scoring, however, was affected up to half time.
After the usual rest,W. Duck gave a free kick for not putting the leather over the line in kicking off, and, in a very short time, it was brought back, when J. Skellern drew first blood. After this, the Call Backs seemed the aggressive, but the Rats were equal to the occasion, and, after several shots at both ends,W. Duck kicked the second goal off Gordon, one of his opponents.

The Rats therefore won by two goals to nil. The Bush Rats to a man played a good game; while for the visitors (who were unfortunate in not having two of their best men) T. Barker.W. Dobbhe, J. Gardner, and W. Harry did excellent service, Mr.W. Bodeman gave general satisfaction with his decisions as referee, and the same may be said of Meters. J. Campbell and J. Perrett as line umpires.

Great interest was taken in the play throughout, and a large number of spectators, many of whom travelled from Blackstone and Silkstone, were in attendance, the greater sex being well represented,
The Bush Rats, it is believed, cannot be beaten now for the cup. and the season will probably close forthwith. The delegates will hold a meeting this evening, when matters connected with the cup will be decided.



(William Duck)

8th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (16)*
Benefit concert

A meeting of the West Moreton Football Association was held at Mr. Kennedy's Racehorse Hotel, on Wednesday evening last. Mr. W. Stafford occupied the chair. It was decided that a benefit concert in aid of the injured players should be held at Bundanba, on October 14, and that each football club in the Association should strike a levy for the sufferers. There should have been another Saturday of football but all the clubs are willing to cease playing, so the Bush Rats will be presented with the cup on Tuesday night, the 18th instant, and a dozen of large photos given by the Association. The Bush rats played ten matches, won seven, drew three, lost none, and scored twenty-seven goals against eight in the cup competition. The Call Backs played eleven matches, won six, drew three lost two, and scored twenty-five goals against twelve

20th October *Brisbane Courier (17)*

Arrangements are being made by the West Moreton Football Association to hold a concert for the benefit of players injured during the season At the meeting held on Tuesday evening the delegate of the Bush Rats was presented by the chairman with the challenge cup, which, he said, they had earned the right to hold for the ensuing year, they having proved themselves the best team in the association The secretary of the Bush Rats Mr Bailey replied m a short speech on behalf of his club The chairman also presented an ornate silver locket from tho delegates to Mr T Barker secretary of the association, m recognition of his services in forwarding its interests Mr Stafford stated that this act gave him genuine pleasure, as the secretary had been most inflatable on behalf of the association Mr Barker expressed his surprise at being presented with such a handsome gift, and warmly thanked the donors

25th October *Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (18)*

Tea Concert

The members of the Bush Rats football club, who came out 'on top' in the contest for theWest Moreton British Association Challenge Cup, wound up the season with a tea, concert., and ball.

The tea was held in the New Cham Hall, all the members being present, and Mr. G. Duck being at the head of the table.

Alter a few remarks all eat down to a sumptuous rcpast provided for them. Great praise is due to Mesdames Deck. Bailey, Freeman,

and Campbell, who worked assiduously to make the whole a fair a success

. After doing ample justice to the good things, the company adjourned to an empty house kindly lent Mr. M. Jeffrey.

When all had assembled, Mr. M, Jeffrey was voted to the chair. He then, in a neat speech congratulated the Bush Rate on their decisive victory last season, and hoped that they would be as successful next year. (Loud cheers) Ie (the Chairman) said he often thought that some of the players would come home without a leg or a tail, but he was glad to see them "a' hale an' weel" that night. (Loud applause) The toast "Success to the Bush Rats Football Club," was drunk with msarioal honours.

Several excellent songs were rendered by Messer. Duck. Bailey, Jeffrey, Bodenham, Skellern, and Coleman. Mr. J. Campbell andW. Duck treated the company to some capital step dancing, which was much admired. A good programme of dances was gone through, the music being provided byW. Jeffrey (violin) endW. Bailey (accordion). Mr. J. Campbell made sufficient M.C. Dancing was kept up till half past 11, when a most pleasant evening wet brought to a close, which will be long remembered by the Bush Rat footballers.

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1893

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions(Undefeated)
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Ipswich Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers nil)
- The following officers were elected to the Asoociation
  Mr. T. Thomas (Patron) Mr. William Stafford,(President (re-elected) Mr. Tom Barker (Secretary)
  Messrs. Jeffrey (New Chum) William Lynch (Dinmore) William J Kennedy, James Lindsay, J P. Bottomley (Bundanba) Vice-Presidents
- There was major flooding in Ipswich
- Matthew and William Bailey and William Wright selected for Combined team to visit Gympie
- Second division and Junior competition starts this year.
- Ipswich Seniors: William Jeffrey, Robert Campbell, William Wright, Alec Stewart, Joseph Skellern
  Ipswich 2 Brisbane nil (Attendance 200) Ipswich 2 Brisbane 2

Seniors: 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) E Skellern,Harry Skellern,Joe Skellern (right wing) William Bailey(left wing) Alexander"Sandy"Stewart,Alexander Campbell,Charles Gooch,James Stafford

President : Mr. Michael Jeffrey

Brisbane Challenge Cup

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	For	Against	Points
1	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

Ipswich Challenge Cup

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Rosebanks	4	2	1	1	5
2	Normans	4	2	2	1	5
3	Brisbane Atrhletic	4	2	1	1	5
4	Bush Rats	4	1	2	1	4
5	Alloways	4		2	2	2

25th May *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (19)*

Brisbane vs West Moreton (24th May)

The match, yesterday, between teams representing the Queensland (Brisbane) and West Moreton British Football Associations respectively attracted over 200 spectators, including a fair sprinkling of ladies, the convincing ground being in the paddock opposite to Mr.W. Kennedy's Racehorse Hotel, Bundamba, Considerable interest was evinced in the result of the game.

The metropolitan combination was captained by Sam Shelley, a former resident of Ipswich; while T. Barker had charge of the Bundamba heroes, whose respective positions were as follows :-Goal, W. Lindsay ; backs, W. Henry and Roberts ; half-backs, Mat Bailey, G. Duck, and R. Campbell; forwards, W. Caddies and A. Stewart: centre, D. Bolton; left, T. Barker and W Wright.

The Brisbane skipper, winning the toss, decided to play down hill, towards the Brisbane road. Five minutes after the kick off, W. Wright, by a splendid shot, scored first goal for West Moreton.

Good play all round ensued, the city "Britisher's" making several vigorous assaults upon their opponents ' citadel, which were very stubbornly repulsed until half-time was called On resuming play, T. Barker succeeded immediately afterwards in kicking the second goal for West Moreton, and from this until the termination of the game the expositions of the Brisbane men were exceptionally good, and, although they worked hard to avert a defeat, fortune smiled on the Bundamba boys instead, the visitors being beaten by 2 goals to nil.

The lines were well chalked, and the referee (W. Bowen) and the line umpire (W. Bodenham, for West Moreton) gave every satisfaction. The Brisbane team were entertained, in excellent style, at Mr. Kennedy's hotel. A collection was taken up during the day for the benefit of the families of the unfortunate miners who were entombed at the Eclipse Colliery

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(Racehorse Hotel)

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1st June *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser* *(20)*

Annual meeting British Football Association (1st June)

British Football Association. The annual meeting of the delegates of the British Football Association was held at Mr. Kennedy's Racehorse Hotel at Bundamba on Thursday evening. Mr. J. Lindsay was voted to the chair.

A letter was read from Mr.Wm. Stafford, thanking the members for having elected him as President and accepting the honour, at the same time promising to do his utmost to further the interests of the game.

A communication was received from the secretary (Mr. Thos. Barker), expressing his regret a being unable to attend, and hoping that the association would select some one else to fill the position he occupied, as he could not possibly attend the meetings. He regretted this all the more, in as-. much as it was fully expected that the season would be a most prosperous one.

It was proposed, seconded, and carried, that Mr.W. Wright should be elected secretary. Mr. J. Lynch wrote accepting the position of vice-president, and verbal acceptances of a similar position were received from Messrs. J. P. Bottomley, W. Kennedy, and Michael Jeffery.
The next business was the registration of clubs, and the Dinmore, Bush Rats, Whitwood, and Blackstone Rovers A. and B. were admitted to the association, their subscriptions having been received.

The amendments to the rules submitted by the Bush Rats were then considered. Rule 11 was proposed to be amended so that it would only be necessary to play one round for the cup instead of two as last season, but the proposition was lost on the casting vote of the Chairman, and two rounds will have to be played as formerly. Rule 14 was next discussed, and it was decided unanimously that the association should find referees for all cup competitions. Rule 21 was taken into consideration, and it was amended so as to read,-"That notice of proposed alterations to the rules shall be sent to the secretary of the association on or before the 1st day of April, and the annual general meeting shall take place on the 15th, the place to be fixed by the out going delegates."

11th July *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser*

Bush Rats 2 vs Blackstone Rovers nil (8th July) (21)

The Blackstone Rovers were conveyed in cabs to the ground which is situated almost opposite the pottery works, close by the New Chum Colliery a newly cleared spot, the work in connection with which was done by the Rats during their spare evenings, and, judging by the quantity and size of the timber in the surroundings, it was no light undertaking either, some of the logs being utilised as seats for the spectators on both sides of the boundary.

The lines, last Saturday afternoon, were crowded, fully 300 people being present, including a large number of ladies. More than usual interest was evinced in the result, and It was very evident from the conversation in all quarters that the contest was going to be a keen one from start to finish. George Duck captained the Rats, and, having won the toss from Dave Boulton (who commanded the Rovers), he elected to kick from the lower goal, with the sun at their backs Mr. G. P. Lewis, of North Ipswich, was chosen an referee, from the fact of his having acted in that capacity in the old country for the Scropshire branch of the British Association in several important country cup matches, while the line umpiring was entrusted to Messer, J. Hughes (for Blackstone) andV. Caddie, (for the Bush Rats) Just as the kick-off took place the following admoition was hurled across the ground Buck in. Rats I keep your tails up 1" which was followed by voices from the opposite direction "Wake up, Blackstone, and tread on their tails I"

At the call of time for the first half, neither side had scored, although the Rats had the beet of the play, making several splendid charges for the their opponents' citadel, and during one of these rushes a free kick was allowed by the referee to the Rats for tripping. Lemons were plentiful enough, the members of the local team having been liberally supplied with ice during the progress of the struggle, there being, apparently, a ' lemon-carrier" connected with the Rats team .Ends were changed, and within a few minutes after the kick off, the ball was well worked down towards the Blackstone goal, where a 'a corner" kick was obtained by the Rats, of which a scrum occurred in close proximity to the Rovers goal, and during which Joe Jeffrey, by a really splendid back kick over his own head, shot the ball just out of the goalkeeper's reach between the posts. First blood to Bash Rats, and to attempt to describe the excitement at this moment would be next to impossible-'-it mseet have borne some resemblance to the thousand tongues at Brbsl, the women folk being quite as vigorous in the exercise of their lungs as the collierS

The battle for supremacy then raged most fiercely, the Blaokstanian's working the very demons, especially Bill Roberts and the "old horse" (Tom Barker), while the Bush Rata, to a man, were playing a really splendid game, all being trained to the hour, and being in fine fettle After the ball travelled all round the kicking arena, daring which there were several individual expositions of first-class play on both aides, the Rats again made another brilliant charge for the Rovers' goal, and, after an exciting period of ground battling by the opposing teams-the ball being butted here, kicked away, passed to the opposite corner, and then dribbled back, until at last Joe Jeffrey again excelled himself by " potting" No. 2 goal for the Bush Rats the play from this one was very fast, the Blaokstonian's making several desperate one slusngots opposite the Rats goal, but at the cell of time, the game terminated thusly-Bush Rats, 2 goals to nil.For the winners, Joe Jeffrey takes the pride of place, while Jack J3eoey, G. Duck, R Campbell, D. Franklyn, and W.Wright were among the most prominent players. Oo the losing side, T. Barker, Spencer, D. Boulton, R. Gee, H. Price, and H. Gamble acquitted themselves admirably

July *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser*

Formation of Ipswich and West Moreton Association

(Tom Barker)was chiefly responsible for the inauguration of the local Association, having convened the meeting for the purpose in July of 1891 ,I had, stalwart supporters. in the J. Stephenson,W, Stafford andWilliam Lynch- (all since deceased) and L. ("Jack") Miller, who is inWestern Australia.

After getting everything in motion, Mr.W.Alleti (of Bell-street). was appointed the first Honorary secretary, Mr.A J Stephenson accepting. the Presidency, a position he held up, to his Death. DanWatson and myself were' the only 'representatives of the "old 'brigade" at last Monday, evenings reunion 4 which 'passed off well, although several pointed questions were asked in reference to the cricket grounds, How much time is to be allowed for the preparation of the turf wickets

(Ipswich Flood)

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22nd August *Telegraph (Brisbane, Qld)*

British Football Association Representative Team (18th August) (23)

At a delegate meeting held last evening (Monday) final, arrangements were made in regard to the visit of a combined' team to Gympie.
The following were the players selected and their places :
Goal, G. Mc'Lean (Normans) ; full-backs, S. Shelley (Normans)
M. Bailey (Bush Rats ; half-backs, T. Jervis (Athletics), M. Finlayson (Normans), J. Hislop (Alloways);
forwards— right wing, W Shelley (Normans A, Inglis (Rosobanks); loft wing, W. Bailey (Bush Rats), W. Gillan (Athletics) ; centre, W. Wright (Bush Rats).
Tho team will leave Brisbane on Wednesday afternoon by the 3.60 train for Gympie to play a representative team in that town, in aid of tho local hospital. Tho team is a full representation of all clubs in tho association.

LOOK OUT
FOR THE GRAND
FOOTBALL MATCH!
RANGERS v. BRISBANE
BRITISH ASSOCIATION RULES.
THIS AFTERNOON
(THURSDAY),
FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE GYMPIE
HOSPITAL,
ON THE ONE-MILE GROUND
BRISBANE TEAM.—J. Hyslop (Alloways) T. Brown, T. Jervis (Athletics), G M'Lean, W. Shelley, M. Finlayson, T O'Donnchue, S. Shelley (Normans), M Bailey, W. Wright (Bush Rats), A. Ingli (Rosebanks).
KICK OFF AT 3.45 P.M.

29th August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (24)*

Bush Rats 4 vs Alloways 2 (26th August)

The champion Bush Rats have again distinguished themselves, this time by. going. to Brisbane, on Saturday, and beating the Alloways, at the British Association game, by 4 goals to 2. Mr. Ruskin was referee Geeoge Duck captained the Wet Moreton representatives, who enjoyed besides the honour of winning, a good old time in the evening at a banquet and a smoke concert at Harry Fig',. " Always at Home" Hotel, Queen-street..
The Bush Rats are described in the Brisbane papers as a flee body of men, and that they' played well, including their goal-keeper, who saved some dangerous shots; the combined play and passing of The' Rats were special features of the game.
Next Saturday afternoon the Bush Rats will meet the Athletics (another Brisbane club) on their' own ground,. at Dinmore,. and if the Rats succeed in cutting. the visitors down, the victory will place them. in the semi-final for the Brisbane Association Cup. What price the Rats if they wins the Brisbane cup as swell as having won the West Moreton British Association, There is just the possibility of their doing so at any rate

12th September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (25)*
West Moreton 2 vs Brisbane 2 (9th September)

Th return match between representatives selected by the Brisbane and West Moreton "British" Football Associations respectively was played, last Saturday afternoon; on the Pineapple Ground, Kangaroo Point, the West Moreton players journeying by train to the metropilis, thence in company which -Mr. Traine, an ardent Brisbane footballer to the scene of action. By the time the Brisbane men were ready, quite a large concourse of spectators had assembled. George Shelley captained the metropolitan team, while W. Wright (who appeared rather stiff and sore after the Gympie campaign skippered the visitors.

The Brisbane team was constituted as follows:--W Mc'Lean; T. Brown and A. Carrie; J. Fenton, T. Jervis, , W. Gillan, M Finlayson, J Jack, W Shelley, T Gillan, G. Shelley, while the following players represented West Moreton W. Lindsay, W Roberts, G. Duck, W Jeffrey, R. Campbell, W. H. Jones, W' Wright, A Stewart, J. Skellern; left, H. Spencer and H Gambling. .Mr. A. Rankin was appointed referee, the line-umpiring being entrusted to Messrs. W. Allison (Brisban) and James Lindsay (West Moreton). By the time the players were ready to start, a great concourse of people had assembled, among whom were a large proportion of Scotchmen" Go laddies," &e. George Shelley, winning the toss, elected to kick with the wind, which, until near the conclusion of the second half, was blowing very strong indeed--more like a gale, in fact-the consequence being that, after the kick-off, the 'West Moreton men were constantly called upon to defend their citadel, and Bill Lindsay worked like a Trojan in saving his goal.

The wind assisted the Brisbanite's considerably, and often times when the West Moretoner's kicked the "sphere,' it was blown back towards their own goal, and other times the ball would bounce clean over the bar. Notwithstanding the wind, however, the visitors worked very determinedly, every one of them playing in grand style, much to the delight of the onlookers, the full-backs (Duck and u Roberts and the half-backs (Jones, Jeffrey, and Campbell) defending their territory ii a most spirited manner. Just before half-time. (G. Shelley, who was playing a very vigorous game all through, dribbled the ball out of a scrimmage, and, from a beautiful angle, with the elevation low, he shot for the goal, and, striking Hill Roberts, it glided (assisted greatly by the wind) past Bill Lindsay like a streak of lightning. Half tine : Brisbane, 1 goal to nil.

Ends were changed on the commencement of tile second half, but, shortly after the ball was kicked off, the Brisbane team, by an excellent exposition of passing along the line on the left wing, and then to the centre, from whence G. Shelley prettily worked the ball to opposite the West Moreton territory, where a vigorous battle ensued until J. Jack obtained, by a grand shot, No. 2 goal for Brisbane. " Play up, West Moreton" came from all sides, and, from this out until the termination of the game, followed one of the finest games ever witnessed in Brisbane, Spencer, after some smart tactics, obtaining " first blood" for West Moreton by a beautiful shot. The play afterwards was mostly confined on the wings, the expositions of W Gillan, Joe Skellern, and R Campbell, on the left line, and that of T. Gillan and W. Shelley on the right line being frequently 'applauded; but the Moretoneer's were not to lie denied for, after a nice piece of passing from Sandy Stewart to Billy Wright, the latter shot for the goal, and, glancing off "Sequah" Brown's head, heat the goal keeper, resulting in No. 2 goal for Vest Moreton, thus equalising matters ***(over page)***

The excitement, too, was now very great: but the "Sequahonian time saving" kicks of Tom Brown, on the Brisbane aide, helped his side a lot, notwithstanding which the West Moreton played a splendid game till the finish, during which, the wind having considerably lessened in force in the meantime, they were called upon once to defend their citadel " all they knew," through a brilliant exhibition of passing on the part of Carnie, Finlayson, T. Jervis, and T Gillan from the centre right up to their opponents' territory, which was cheered to the echo, bit WA. Lindsay saved in grand style. "Time;" thus ending a first-class contest, the result being two goals each. Mr. Rankin's refereeing gave entire satisfaction to both sides

. No doubt about it, the services of the Blackstone representatives. Tom Barker were greatly missed, and I have since heard that he just lost the train by a minute or so. This was a pity, for, I believe, with his dodgy tactics he would have scored the winning "shot." However, every individual member of bath teams played " all they were worth," and, as the West Moreton representatives won the first combination match, played at Bundamba at the commencement of the season, they are still ahead of the Brisbane players. The visiting team were, after the game, invited to an excellent dinner, at the Cafe Royal, Queen-street, laid out in Mr. Harry "Always at Home" Figg's best style; after which the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony at a smoke concert, Mr Ernest Skellern (of the Bush Rats) presiding at the piano,)nothing was wanting a little more courtesy on the part of most of the Brisbane players, but Messrs. T. Jervis, W. Rose, W Gillan, and Trains were, however, untiring in their efforts to entertain the West Moreton representatives

14th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser*

West Moreton British Football Association Cup Presentation (26)

At a social and concert arranged for the purpose. The Bush Rat A team were presented with the West Moreton British Football Association silver cup for being the premiers of the 1893 season, this being the second occasion on which they have succeeded in winning the trophy. Each of the members of the team also received a silver badge in recognition of his individual efforts.

At the same meeting -presided over by Mr. W. J. Lynch-the press was complimented upon having sent down representatives to report their matches. On the other hand, an oversight occurred no invitation was extended to a Queensland Times reporter to be present at the above presentation nor was any information sent that it was to take place.

This is not fair dues. Or was it that the Bush Rats-whose deeds all through the playing season had been faithfully chronicled-did not desire the readers of that journal to know in what shape their meritorious achievements had been recognised by the West Moreton British Football Association Now wake up Mr Secretary of the Rats although Wright by name, someone did not act rightly any way

9th November *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (Qld. : 1861 – 1908)* (27)

Tea and social

What appears to have been a very pleasing tea and social was held, under the auspices of the Bush Rats Football Club, on Friday evening last .A committee consisting of Messrs. (G. Duck, E Skellern,W Jeffiies, and W.Wright, with Mr. M Bailey as secretary, had charge of the arrangements in connection with the affair, and they all worked hard ,to make the reunion the success it undoubtedly proved.

The tea was laid out in the church. near the New Chum Colliery, two tables being heavily laden with eatables, which had bees provided by Mr. I. Ham.The. ladies who presided at the talcles were ..Mesdames M. Bailey, Campbell, Franklin, Hansell, and Gambling. together. with a number of young friends. About seventy persons sat down. to the repast, and, when all the guests had been thoroughly regaled, an adjournment was made to ite Dinnore State School, where a social dance was held. Mr. A. Stewart made an excellent master of ceremonies, and good music was supplied by Messrs.W. thorsborne.(-oncertinal andW. Jeffrey (violin). A large number of well-wishers of the club, who have now won theWest Moreton football Association's cup and the attendant badges for two consecutive sesoaose, were present, and dancing was gone into with great. spirit. During an interval. George Deck (captain of the Bush Rats) made a brief speech, during which he apologised for the unavoidable absence of the president (Mr M Jeffrey)

With regard to their-little re-union that night, he hoped it would be made an annual affair, as such gatherings tended very materially to create a greater intimacy between tile players, and those who had taken an interest

in them. Concerning the club itself, he thought it could compare very favourably with any other club in Queensland with regard to the result of the matches. The team had played a large number of games, and they had only been defeated once, and that was in Brisbane.They had now won the cup for the second time, and he thought no one would deny that they had done very well. He thought they would like to win it again next year, and perhaps then they would let someone else have a turn (laughter) They had entered for the Brisbane cup but were defeated by the Normans.They had played other matches and had come off victorious. they had been done out of the match in the semi-final thromughl a breach of the rules, and the Brisbane Association overlooked them, and gave their verdict in favour of the Brisbane club. He believed that if they had received fair play they would have pulled I offl the Brisbane cup. (Applause.)

Mr.W.Wright, secretary to the club, thanked the ladies for the manner in which they had worked up matters that night and also proposed a vote of thanks to them as well as to the pressWith regard to the latter he stated that an invitation had been sent to the QueenslandTimes to send a representative, and so the club could not be twitted with having overlooked that journal on the present occasion.The festivities were then resumed.With respect to Mr.Wright's statement, we may explain that the invitation in question was received by a member of our mechanical staff who mistook the date of the social, and consequently the event was overlooked, which is a matter for regret.

1894

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

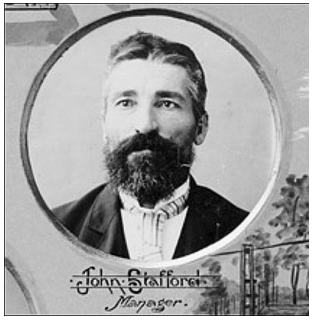
- Dinmore Bush Rats win Ipswich Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 1)
- The Brisbane Charity Cup competition commences. Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Rosebank 5)
- Reverand A Horan elected President of the Association
- Dinmore Bush Rats changed their name to Celtic Bush Rats but reverted to Bush Rats in May
- 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 play three matches against Howard Rovers. Two matches played in Howard

Seniors: George Duck (Captain) James Burns, Henry Skellern (1864-1964) Joe Skellern, Joe Jeffrey, William Lindsay Matthew Bailey John Besgrove, John Jeffrey, William Jeffrey. A "Sandy" Stewart, William Bailey, William Wright, Charles Gooch, James Atterton John Campbell, Robert Campbell, James Lucas, Hermann Pioch, William Sneddon, Robert Thorburn

President: Michael Jeffrey
Vice Presidents: Lewis Thomas, William Lynch, W Jones, William Mortimer, Tom Barker, John Stafford, J Bottomley, J Miller William Ackerley, Joseph Hudson (1847-1933) W Bird
Secretary and Treasurer: P J Lindsay
Committee: William Wright, George Duck, Ernest Skellern, Robert Campbell, Matthew Bailey
Delegate to the W,M.B.F.A. Ernest Skellern, Matthew Bailey
Delegate to the Queensland British Football Association: William Wright

QUEENSLAND BRITISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.
CHALLENGE CUP. FINAL MATCH.
Exhibition Grounds, SATURDAY NEXT, between Normans (of Brisbane) and Bush Rats (of Dinmore). Kick-off 3.30 p.m. Admission to grounds, 8d.; Grand Stand, 6d. extra; ladies free.
AND. RANKINE, Hon. Sec.

William Lindsay



John Stafford

21st August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (28)*
Bush Rats 1 vs Normans 3(Challenge Cup Final)

PIGEONS BRING THE RESULT TO BLACKSTONE (18th August)

These clubs met last Saturday afternoon at the Exhibition ground, Brisbane, in the final match for the challenge cup under the auspices of the Queensland British Football Association, and the game resulted in the Normans winning the beautiful trophy, after a very fast and entertaining contest, by 3 goals to 1, The Bush Rats, accompanied by a large contingent of followers, travelled to South Brisbane by the down 11"30 train. Had a special train been run by the railway authorities at a quarter. past 1 o'clock from Ipswich, as desired by Rats, a considerable number of the mining fraternity, both of Bundanba and Blackstone, could have availed themselves of the opportunity of witnessing this cup tie match, as, throughout the West Moreton district the keenest interest was manifested in the result. An it was, the special carriage attached to the through train at Ipswich was, no arrival of the train at Dinmore, more than comfortably filled by the players and their friends nearly fifty, all told. The handsome-' Silver cup trophy being on view in one of the shops in Queen Street, it came in for a, good deal of attention from the visitors, as it was thought that on its removal, it would be conveyed to-'Dinmore; but owing to the "glorious uncertainties of football the challenge cup, at any rate, will not leave Brisbane yet a while, although it has changed hands from the Rosebanks, last year's winners, to the Normans. Of course, the Rats still have a good lien on the. second Brisbane trophy the charity cup; but ac to Saturday's play.

The match commenced at half-past 3; and, at the Normans walked on to the field (led by Sam Shelley bouncing the ball along followed by the atusdy'mining, representatives, each team mea aotorded hearty acclamation from the surroundings, which were fairly well crowded with spectators.
The Normans, who are a fine body of well built athletes, comprised the following players :-G. M'Lean, in goal; full backs, Sam Shelley and W. Mnrphy; the three Finlaysons, half-backs; right wing, W. Shelley; centre, G. Shelley; left wing, Hugh Blake with' J. Jack and J. 'jentona m b the forward ranks.

The well built Rats were represented by W. Lindsay, in goal ; full backs, Jim Atterton and G. Duck; half backs, B. and W. Jeffrey and B. Campbell right wing, Joe Skellern; left wing, A. Stewart; centre, W. .Wright;: forwards, Mat Bailey and John. Jefifrey Mr. T. Jenkinson named as referee, and Messer· A Rankin and W. McNaughton performed the duties of line umpire. G. Duck captained the Rats, and J. Fenton skippered the Normans

18th September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser* (29)

Bush Rats 3 vs Rosebanks 5 (Charity Cup) (15th September)

HOMING PIGEONS AGAIN UTILISED. [BY OLD SPORT)

A special train conveyed to Brisbane on Saturday some eighty passengers, including a sprinkling of ladies, from the mining centres of Bundanba and Dinmore and every effort was pet forth by the committee of the Charity Cup to make the event a success, but the counter attractions of other important foot-ball matches (Rugby) somewhat marred the chance of a large attendance.

The visiting team and their friends were taken, via the ferry at Indooroopilly, on to the Brunswick railway station in the Valley, walking from thence to the Exhibition ground, where the game was played; while the Rosebank team were conveyed to the scene in a special tram, being accompanied by the Park Presbyterian Brass Band, which enlivened the journey out with first-class music. Later on in the afternoon the Scottish pipers visited the ground, and, alternately with the brass band, played selections during the game. Considering the circumstances, there was a very fair attendance of spectators.

The following are the the names of each team

:Rosebanks: l,W. Brown;T. and P. Inglis;W. M'Luckie, John lnglis ,W. Hawker;A. Inglis, G. Innes; James Inglis; H. and R Gait

Bush Rats: W. Lindsay,G Duck,J Atterton,R Campbell,Joe Jeffrey,W. Jeffrey A. Stewart,J. Skellern,WWright;,W Bailey, John Jeffrey.G.Duck captained the visitors, while T Inglis skippered the Rosebanks

Winning the toss, Captain Duck elected to kick towards the railway line, with a slight wind at his back, Mr.T. Jenkinson noted as referee, and Messrs.A. Rankine and W. Mc'Naughton performed the duties of line umpires. G. Innes put the ball in motion, and then commenced a very fast game, T'Rats gaining first "foul," following which two "corners" resulted in the favour of the visiting team, and from one of which the first blood was gained to the credit of the Bush Rats from a beautiful shot by J Skellern. Kicked off again the Rosebanks conveyed the sphere to the Rat's territory, in the vicinity of which some really excellent play took place; several determined attacks being made on the visitors' citadel, which W. Lindsay guarded in grand style, saving time after time in a splendid manner, his efforts in this direction evoking hearty acclamation from the spectators. From a vigorous kick by Lindsay well down the centre, the scene of battle was then changed to the Rosebanks territory, where Billy Wright secured the ball and made a well judged shot for goal, which beat the goalkeeper, thus scoring No. 2 goal for T'Rats. Urged on by the spectators who about this period, began to advise the Rosebanks to "kick" and 'end em" in most vigorous Scotch--the Rosebanks rallied, conveying the sphere well into the territory of the Rats, and almost seemed like scoring, when a free kick was allowed T'Rats for the off side play of H. Gait.Kicked off, and by a series of beautiful passes, the Rats took the ball along the right wing. close up to the Rosebanks' goal, where Joe Jeffrey succeeded in potting No 3 goal.The play all-round from this out till call of time was very fast, the ball travelling all over the field of play, the individual efforts of Jobhn lnglis being very prominent, as were also those of Sandy Stewart,Wright, and Joe Skellern. At half-time the scores were Bush Rats, 3 goals; Rosebanks, nil. ***(over page)***

Messrs. Jacob Tapp and Owen Jones each despatched a couple of pigeons to Blackstone with the result. After the usual spell, ends were changed, and, when the hall was kicked off, there followed one of the fastest and most exciting games that have ever been my lot to witness, end, on top of the animation in the surroundings, just fancy half-a dozen Scotch bag-pipers screeching on the " pibrochs" for all they were worth something like " Humpty dumpty--Dumpty. Humpty.' In the midst of this distracting noise, A. Ingles made an excellent shot for goal, and succeeded in scoring first blood for the Rosebanks Then the brass band struck up " Home, Sweet Home," and the excitement became still more pronounced. " The Bush Rats can win," tang out one lots "Wire in, Rosebanks." replied the other

Both teams were performing like Trojans. the Rosebank forwards putting is grand work. "Corners" were numerous, and in the midst of some determined play opposite T'Rats' citadel a free kick for a "foul" was awarded the Rosebanks. This occurred only a few yards from the goal, and after the kick off H. Galt got possession of the sphere, sending it through the goal like a flash from a rifle scoring No. .2 for his aide. Time was now nearly up and neither team were working as hard as they knew how the Rats to maintain the lead, and the Rosebanks to make matters equal. Within a minute of time Hugh Gale again shot for the goal from the left wing, the ball just seeming to squeeze in under the bar at the corner on the left of Lindsay-a beautiful kick with plenty of "screw' on, while the applause was deafening, the hands being almost wrung off H. Galt. Directly after this the whistle. sounded "time," the result being 3 goals each -a draw ; but, according to a mutual agreement before the commencement of the match in the event of such a termination, half-an hoer extra was played-a quarter of an hour each way, several pigeons being dispatched to Blackstone with thy result in the meantime.

The teams immediately changed their positions a but the Bush Rats were thoroughly extended, for, despite the effort of the plucky miners to avert the defeat, the superior condition of the Rosenbanks asserted itself, end, at the expiration of the additional time, they had secured two more goals-through the agency of James Inglis and R. Galt respectively thus being the fest winners of the Charity Cup by 5 goals to 3. Both teams acquitted themselves in fine style, the Individual efforts of several players on either side being frequently applauded, while the game itself was contested in almost pleasant. manner, the beat of spirit being manifested throughout: After the match Mr. M'Master, M.L A.) congratulated the both sides on the admirable exposition of Scottish football .given that, afternoon, and wished the Bush Rats more success next season,. the visiting team were treated to a substantial tea at Shaw'e Palace Restaurant, after which they were invited tot smoke concert at Mr,. Butler's Cafe Royal Hotel.

During the evening Mr. B.Wylie, the Hon. treasurer of the Charity Cup Committee expressed his pleasure at the game witnessed that had but regretted. that they would not he in a position to hand over a substantial cheque to be divided between the several Charitable institutions.

A very enjoyable evening was spent

2nd October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (30)*

Bush Rats 3 vs Blackstone Rovers 1 (Final) (29th September)

The final match under the auspices of theWM.B.F.A. (premier division) for the Challenge Cup was played on Saturday 1st, on the Bash Rate' rn, before a very large number of spectators.

The two contesting teams were the Bush Rats (whelia of the cup for the two previous years).and the .Blackstone Rovers Neither team was fully represented as several of the best players in each were absent.The Rats were without Bill Lindsay (goalkeeper), G Duck, Dave Frankland and Jeffrey. Jack Besgrove took up the position of goal-keeper for the Rats, and he folly upheld hie reputetioen, this b tie third year In which he has been Goalkeeper for the Rats in the finals for this cup, and on each occasion he has performed well.The Blackstone's were without the services of three of their best men,Mitchelll ,J Lebeter and .H Gambling., 'Blackstone could only raise the men and played one short throughout the game.

The following were the teams

Bush Rats Jack Besgrove,Jim Atterton,W Jeffrey,R Campbell,M Bailey,E Hansell,Sandy,Stewart,W .Wright, Joe.Jeffrey Joe Skellern;

Blackstone Goal.J Ward, fullbacks, C. Marsh and R. Price; halfback Lewis Roberts R.Archibald, and Phoeby forwards, J. Muir, T. Barker (centre), Boulton, and B. Jones.W. Wright captained the Rots, and T. Barker the Rovers

Barker won the toss and elected to play down with the wind blowing strongly in his favour.Wright kicked off, but Blackstone commenced with their usual rush and continually had the Rats' goal in danger.About five minutes from the start J. Muir sent the ball in from the right wing, and T. Barker, amid great cheering, scored first goal for the Rovers. Kicked oi again, the Rate had a try at goal, butWard saved, and a lot of loose kicking hIn the field ensued, the ball being rushed hern'and there by the Rovers, which kept the Rate' defence very busy, and, when half-time sounded, the score stood-Rovers 1, Rats nil. After the usual spell ends were changed, the Rats having the advantage of the downhill kick, but the wind fell off, and consequently was not of so much advantage to the Rats as it had been to the Rovers. Kicked off, it was very evident that the Rats meant business,Wright and the rest of the forwards putting in some good shots, butWard was in great term. At leogth, after some good passing, Joe Skellern ceorred the ball from the right wing, and Sandy Stewart scored first goal for the Rats, putting the ball through with his head. Play woe continued chiefly to the Rovers ground, and Joe Jeffrey passed to BillyWright, who li-aded the ball between the posts which shot fairly beatWard), and scored goal No. 2 for the Rats, tile cheers being dealening for a minute or so.The Rovers now seemed to rally, and ensued a charge at the Rats' goal, lut ieesgrove saved and the ball was brought ilLo tle Kuvoero' territory by some good passing, and Joe Jeffrey secured. the leather and auced gilc No. 3 for the Rats. A fourth goal was scored by the Rats, but it was disallowed for offside play.The whistle then sounded time, and the Bush Rats once again winning of the cup for the season of 1894, the scores being-Bush Rats, 3 goals Rovers 1 goal.The game was very hotly contested for the last quarter of an hour, and the cheers wee deafening at times as each side showed some splendid play. For the winnersWright Stewart, Joe Skellern, J. 'Jeffrey and Bailey played a first-class game as forwards,Wright being always to the tore. For the defence, R, Campbell and E. Hansell did well at half-back ; while M. Halley, Atterton, and W. Jeffrey were very prominent. For the Rovers, Barker, Muir, Boulton, and Jones (forwards), and Marsh and R. Price, at back, did excellent service in fact, the Blackstone men worked extremely well, considering that they were a man short.

George Duck

Joe Skellern

Joe Jeffrey

John Jeffrey

Alexander Stewart

William Lindsay

William Jeffrey

Matthew Bailey

John Besgrove

Alex Campbell

William Bailey

John Burns

David Frankland

John Campbell

Robert Campbell

William Duck
Captain

Owen Coleman

Henry Skellern

William Wright

Dimmore Bush Rats Football Club
Champions
Ipswich and West Moreton football Association
1892,1893,1894

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	Bundamba 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					

1895

Dinmore Bush Rats

Champions /Challenge Cup Winners/2nd Division Hodgson Cup Winners

- Population of Ipswich 10,000
- William Joseph Lynch(1850-1910) elected President of the IWMFA arrived from County Wrexford Ireland at age 12
- T Childs of Ipswich Railways takes the iconic photo of the 1890 Dinmore Bush Rats team,the oldest team photo of an Ipswich club The photo however was taken in 1895.Dinmore Bush Rats known as New Chum Bush Rats (the name changing in 1894)
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Premiers of the Queensland British Football Association Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 vs Normans 2)
  They are coached by Tom Barker formerly of Blackstone Rovers
- The Hodgson Competition Cup donated by Joseph Hodgson licensee of the Racehorse Hotel awarded to the Second Division Cup winners, Games were played in the area opposite the then site of the hotel

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.

23rd March 1936 *Queensland Times*

40 Years agoMr. Sandy Stewart said that while Mr. Lonie could go back 16 years, and Mr. Gibb for 24, he could go back 40 years in his association with Soccer at Ipswich. He referred to the days when the late Tom Barker used to go from Blackstone to New Chum to coach the "Bush Rats," and did it so successfully that the Bush Rats won the premiership in Brisbane in 1895

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President : Willima J Lynch
Secretary:Matthew Bailey
Treasurer/Assistant Secretary: Robert Campbell
Captain:William Wright,**Vice Captain** George Duck
Vice Presidents: Messrs Lewis Thomas, M.L.A. J. Hudson, William Reynolds, William Stafford Joseph Stafford,Michael Jeffrey,Joseph Hodgson
Committee: Messrs George Duck,Robert Campbell,J Hughes,Matthew Bailey,William Wright

Matthew Bailey

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

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

1895

Dinmore Bush Rats

Premiers

Matthew Bailey,William Bailey,John Burns, Robert Campbell Joseph Jeffrey, William Hudson

William Jeffrey,William Lindsay,Joseph Skellern,George Duck,William Wright, Sydney Skellern

David Frankland,Owen Coleman, Henry Skellern,Alec Stewart(Captain),Edward Hudson,William Caddies, Hermann Pioch

Others: Jack Routledge,James Hughes,James Atterton,James Muir,Richard Price,H Stewart

James Mitchell,Charles Gooch,James Lucas,,Thomas Stewart,Jack Whalley,,

17th September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (31)*

Challenge Cup Final

Dinmore Bush Rats 3 vs Normans 2 (14TH September)

ASSOCIATION 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.

Success has at last rewarded the efforts of the Bush Rats, and they won the Challenge Cup on Saturday after a grand struggle-the Normans battling to the end like Trojans--by 3 goals to 2. Both the Normans and the Bush Rats put their best men in the field, the first named club going to the extent of inducing I believe, Sam Shelly to come down from Maryborough to assist them, and when Billy Wright heard of this he, so I was informed, could not resist the temptation to also come down to help his old comrades, his play being, to a great extent, responsible for the cup coming to Dinmore.

Something like fifty persons (including the Rats' team and their followers) left Dinmore by the 12.40 down train to Brisbane. Among the passengers were a number of ladies and Messrs. E. O. Morgan, W. J. Lynch, and J. Reynolds, who have, for the past two seasons, most consistently followed the West Moreton representatives in their several metropolitan campaigns.

On arrival at the Exhibition ground-all the visiting players, for the purpose of stretching their limbs, walked out--it was found that the field of play was nicely marked off; but the "artist" who presided with the whitening-brush must have had a very crooked eye, inasmuch as the "' centre" was only ten yards from the " touch"-line on the one side and over twenty from the other. Someone then discovered that the ground marked off was too narrow, and a lot of unnecessary measuring off with a tape and "haggling" ever the matter occurred. I say unnecessary--because the rules of the Queensland British Football Association distinctly state, on reference to the limits of grounds, that the " minimum breadth shall be 50 yards." Somebody stated that the minimum breadth should be 53 yards, and so, like a parrot-cry, it passed from one to the other until the spectators began to tire of the humbugging. Taped off, the width of the ground was 52 yards-that was over the minimum limit-and the captain of the Normans desired the skipper of the Rats to protest against the ground. "Not I," replied Sandy Stewart; " we as the visiting team, have nothing to do with the ground. We are ready to play, and, if the game is not commenced very quickly, we shall claim the match. We can't afford to come down another Saturday ." The officials of. the Association then appeared on the scene, and it was agreed that, to remedy the fault in the width, the boundary-flags on the one side should be shifted three yards further from the chalked line-this, in itself,. cost the Normans a couple of throws-in to the Rats, through their members touching the ball directly it went over the white line ***(see over)***

Twenty minutes' good light as it turned out at the end-was thus wasted, not through any intentional neglect on the part o the officials of the Association, nor do i think was it through any desire on ·the Normans' side to impede the progress of the game, but simply through a want of knowledge of their own laws. Perhaps, though, it would be as well if there were a little more harmonious feeling between the Brisbane players and their Association officials who have all along shown a sincere desire to advance the Scottish game, hence their action in engaging the Exhibition ground-the marking off being entrusted to the Caretaker.

Of course, as far as the Bush Rats were concerned, they raised no objections---they only objected to the delay in commencing the game, which was started at ten minutes to 4. The following are the names of the competing teams:--

Normans : In goal, B.Wilson; backs, J. Fenton and J. Train; half-backs, L and J. Finlayson and S. Shelly; forwards-left wing, I Blake and J. Jack; centre, H. Blake; right wing, G. Shelly and T. Donoghue.

Bush Rats: In goal, W. Lindsay; backs, R. Price and J Atterton; half-backs, R. Campbell, H. Stewart, and W. Jeffrey; forwards-left wing, A Stewart and W. Wright; entre, J. Muir; right wing, Joe Jeffrey and J. Skellern. Sandy Stewart captained T'Rats, while J. Fenton skippered the cup winners of last season.

T Jenkinson acted as referee, and the duties of line-umpires were entrusted to Messrs. Fowler and Harris. I might here state that I noted the presence of Mr. Mat. Reid, MI.L.A. for Toowong, who appeared to take the greatest interest in the match. Winning the toss, Captain Stewart decided to play from the railway end, with a slight wind in his favour. H. Blake kicked off from the centre-not the lob-sided marked one, that was discarded-and the sphere was taken immediately into the Rats' territory, and, before the Rats got " used to their legs," a corner was conceded to the Normans. G. Shelly took the kick, but failed to score, the ball being quickly transferred in the Normans' territory. Fast play then ensued, H. Stewart being most prominent-indeed, from the start to the finish of the game he performed in magnificent style, and frequently merited the all-round applause of the spectators.

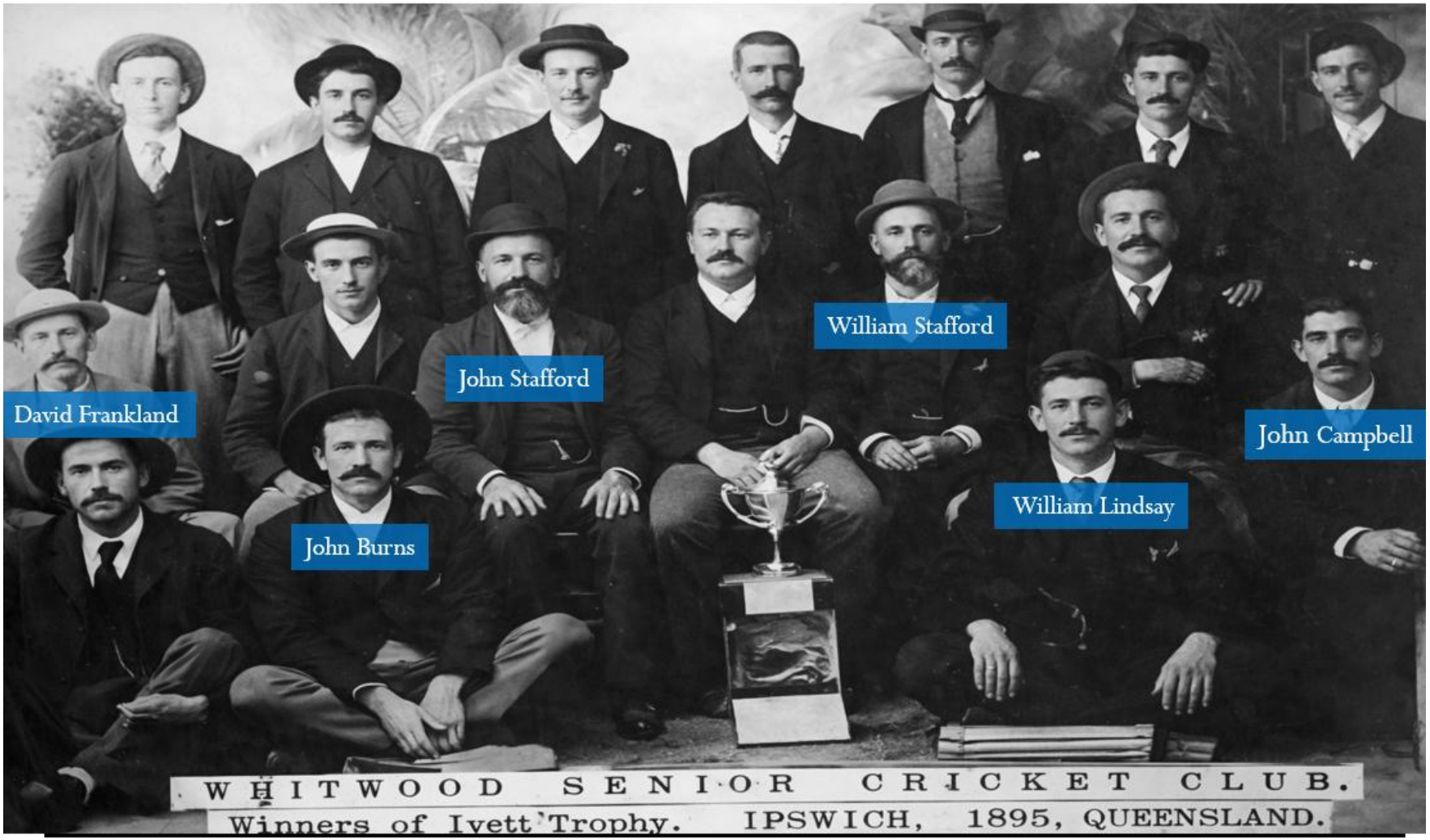
The play partook of a give-and-take nature, including some neat expositions, on either side, of beautiful football. The ball was as much in the Rats' territory as it was in that of their opponents', and, on several occasions each of the citadels was in constant danger, but the respective goal-keepers Wilson and Lindsay saved in a splendid manner

All the players were on the alert-too much so in some instances, as, in their eagerness or excitement, their kicks were too strong; and, when the halftime whistle was blown, matters were very even -neither side had scored. After a well deserved spell, the ball was again put in motion, and then followed a real ding-dong battle, everyone working as hard as he knew how. The Normans played a rattling game, their passing and dribbling being very pretty indeed. Sam Shelly, too, put in some grand work. Billy Wright's well known encouraging cry of "Good enough" kept the Rats well on the ball, and it was hard to tell which side had the advantage. As "time" drew near, the exhortations of the barrackers became very loud and earnest" Now then, Rats I wire in" from the one side was about drowned by a counter blast of "Wake up, Normans!"As "time" drew near, the exhortations of the barrackers became very loud and earnest" Now then, Rats I wire in" from the one side was about drowned by a counter blast of "Wake up, Normans!" ***(see over)***

Twice Sandy Stewart was within ace of scoring-once nothing seemed surer, only Sandy over-ran the ball after it had struck the bar and rebounded into play, the goalkeeper (Wilson) having, at this time, been away from "home." other hand, were as equally. The State' skipper was terribly vexed at such a splendid opportunity of obtaining a goal being thus missed. Joe Skellern also had hard luck; he shot from the right wing, the ball striking the post.
The Normans, on the other hand, were as equally were as equally unlucky in their efforts-Bill Lindsay was "' all there" as keeper of the goal, except once, when R. Campbell saved the Rats' "bacon," by heading the ball off a fine screw-kick put in from the corner by G. Shelly, which Lindsay could not possibly have reached. "Time," and again neither side had scored, although as the whistle sounded the Rats had been bombarding the Normans' citadel for some little period, several corners having been conceded them in the meantime.
It was thereupon agreed to play an extra half-hour-a quarter-of-an-hour each way.The light was then beginning to bid "adieu" to the scene.The sphere was put in motion, and, shortly after, Lindsay, by a splendid kick, put the ball well into the Normans' territory. Billy Wright obtained the leather, and, with a capitally-directed shot from the left wing, succeeded in scoring first blood for T'Rats.The excitement was intense --the row deafening, and hats and umbrellas were flying about in all directions. Kicked off again, the leather was again taken possession of by the Rats, and, after some sharp tussling, Sandy Stewart headed the ball between the posts-No. 2 goal for T'Rats.The enthusiasm was unbounded.

The first quarter-of-an hour having elapsed, ends were changed, and the ball kicked off, when Billy Wright, by about as smart a piece of work as ever he did on the football field, "went for" J. Finlayson, dodged him, and, getting the ball at his feet, dribbled it well along the left wing, and with a beautiful low shot from an angle scored No. 3 goal for his side,Wilson not being able ,to grasp the ball. "Keep it up, T'Rats you can win easily," shouted some burly voice.This shout wakened up the Normans, who went at it for all they were worth, and quickly scored two goals, Sam Shelly potting the first greatly assisted by Dick Price, and C. Blake the second.Watches were plentiful at this stage of the game. "Four minutes more, lads Keep your eyes on the ball, Rats!"
That, however, was a most difficult thing to do, owing to the fast approaching darkness.Those four minutes seemed like half-an-hour.The Rats were equal to the occasion, and, when the welcome order of the referee to " cease firing" was given, the ball was well up in the Normans' territory.
Thus ended the hardest-fought and finest struggle that has ever eventuated for the Challenge Cup, resulting in the Rats winning it for the first time by 8 goals to 2.
Although beaten, the Normans have no cause be ashamed of their efforts.They, to a man, fought gallantly, and, at the termination of the play, the Normans, in the best manner possible, acknowledged that they were defeated on their merits. For the losing side H. Blake did yeoman service, as did also J. Fenton, the brothers Finlayson, the brothers Shelly, Train, C. Blake, and Wilson; while for T'Rats, I. Price, J. Muir, W. Wright, W. Lindsay, H. Stewart, A. Stewart, and Atterton were as good as" they make them."

The members of both teams were entertained at a well laid-out supper at Shaw's refreshment-rooms, and afterwards, elsewhere, at a social.



Dinmore Bush Rats Players and Officials

1896

Ipswich Rovers
Champions

- Dinmore Bush Rats Seniors withdraw from competition after a few games.They continue in the Juniors
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Junior Premiers

Silver Medal in the shape of a Maltese Cross presented by William Lynch to John Routledge it is inscribed (*Dinmore Bush Rats Football Club Season 1896 on one side and Presented to John Routledge on his excellent play on the reverse side)*

Juniors: Jack Routledge(Captain) Ernest Skellern(Died 1949) Henry Skellern,Sydney Skellern((1878- 1949) William Routledge George Duck ,William Hudson(1875-1956)A(Sandy)Stewart,Charles Gooch,H Miller,Edward Shearer,*William Potts (Died(1962) Herman Pioch (Died 1942) Edward Hudson(1875-1940)

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President:. William. J. Lynch
Secretary: Matthew Bailey
Vice Presidents: Messrs Lewis Thomas, M.L.A. J. Hudson, William Reynolds, William Stafford, J Stafford, Michael Jeffrey Joseph Hodgson, Maathew Bognuda, T. Schofield, E. G. Morgan, A H Roberts
Committee: Messrs Hugh Campbell, William Caddie, William Jeffrey, Alec Stewart

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Ipswich Rovers	8	5		3	10
2	Normans	8	5		3	10
3	Bush Rats	8	4		4	8
4	Bundamba Rangers	8	4		4	8
5	Rosebanks	8	3		5	6

Reverend A Horan

25th June *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (32)*

Bush Rats withdraw

The Bush Rats were to have met the Rosebanks next Saturday, but I hear and I am sorry to hear that the Bush Rats have "gone bung." They forfeited last Saturday to the Rangers, since which it is stated that they have withdrawn from the Brisbane union on account of not being able to get a team together. For the last few years the Bush Rats were the "life and soul" of the British association game, and I am sure all the readers of this column will regret to hear that they disbanded.

1st October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (33)*

Junior Premiership

The Second Bush Rats win the junior premiership, all the badges and trophies played for under the auspices of the Brisbane British Football Association have come to West Moreton. This, indeed, is a position of which the West Moretonite's should feel immensely proud, and one that should give a great impetus to the British Association game in Ipswich and the mining districts during the next season

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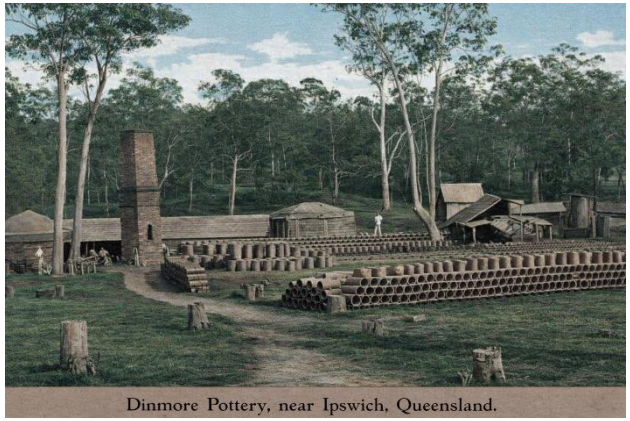
Joseph Hudson(1847-1933)and Matthew Bognuda (1863-1922)
were Proprietors of the Dinmore Pottery)



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1897

Rosebanks
Champions

- The first mention of a Schoolboy match is between Bundanba and East Ipswich

Seniors: James Lucas, Edward Hawkins(1876-1963) William Denton, Thomas Maloney, Herman Pioch, David Young(1879-1933) Ernest Skellern, Henry Skellern, Sidney Skellern, J Jones, Thomas Stewart, Alexander Stewart, Larry Henderson Owen Coleman, William Routledge, Alec Campbell, Joe Skellern, Brightwell

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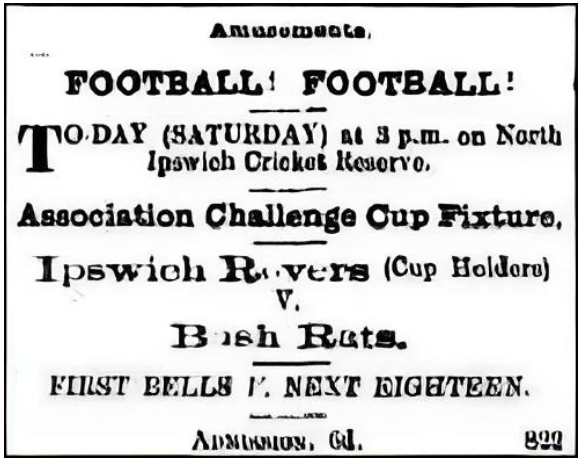
Amusements.

FOOTBALL! FOOTBALL!

TO-DAY (SATURDAY) at 3 p.m. on North Ipswich Cricket Reserve.

Association Challenge Cup Fixture.

Ipswich Rovers (Cup Holders)
V.
Bush Rats.

FIRST BELLS V. NEXT EIGHTEEN.

ADMISSION, 6d. 822

Brisbane Street

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Goals		Points
1	Rosebanks	7	5	1	1	22	5	11
2	Ipswich Rovers	7	5	0	2	20	11	10
3	Bundamba 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

Photo Picture Ipswich

18th February 1897 *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General (34)*

Junior Presentation

The fortnightly meeting of the Pride of Dinmore Lodge, No. 40, P.A.F.S.O.A., was held in the Baptist Church, Dinmore, on Tuesday night last, Br. J. Lowe,W.M., presiding.There was a good attendance of members. Sick-pay to the amount of 1£ Is. was passed for payment, and one member was declared on the sick funds.

One candidate was initiated into the Order by Bro. Pattison, P.M., and one candidate was proposed for membership. It was decided to ask Bro. Reid, D.D.G.M., to allow himself to be nominated for that position for meat term.The long-looked-for badges, which were won by the Second Bush Rats Football Club in connection with the junior competition of the Queensland British Football Association (Brisbane) for the season of 1896, have at last arrived, and were presented to the winners at a meeting held for the purpose at the Dinmore Club on Friday night last. Mr.W. J. Lynch ,(president) was in the chair, and in an appropriate address congratulated the Bush fats on their success during the past season, and also presented the badges to the players (thirteen in number).

The badges are circular tin shape and of silver. On the obverse of each is inscribed "Q.B.F.A., Second Bush Bats," and on the reverse the name of the recipient. J. Routledge was also presented with the trophy promised by Mr. Lynch at the commencement of the season for the best all-round play, the recipient to be selected by the playing members of the club. Mr. Lynch said he was very pleased to hand over the trophy to Mr. Routledge, as be had received the unanimous vote of his club-mates. A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the meeting.The follo.ing players received badges:- Rautledge (captain), E, H, and S. Skellern, E. andW. Hudson,T. Stewart, ;C. Gooch, H Miller,W.Routledge, E. Shearer,W. Potts, and H Pioch.

21st August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (35)*

Charity Cup

Contrary to expectations, the Bush Rats ore not able to muster a team to play the Rosebanks in the Charity Cup fixture tomorrow (Saturday). It was hoped that a strong team would be mustered for the remainder of the season after receiving a forfeit from the Rangers.The reason of this retrogression is quite plain to any right-seeing resident of Dinmore.Work is scarce here just now, and there is a lack of money, which is greatly in demand when a team has to travel to Brisbane or to any other place:

Several of the Bush Rats' most prominent players hare left, or are leaving, the place, in search of employment. It is to be hoped that the dull times will soon leave us, so that we may be able to keep our footballers at home. It is also to be hoped that the next season will bring better luck to the fallen Rats, and my advice is to run only one team

1898

Dinmore Bush Rats

Champions/Challenge Cup/Charity Cup Winners

- Brisbane Cricket Ground was first used as a Soccer Ground
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Challenge/Charity Cup and eight hour trophy. **Club colours: All white**
  Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Ipswich Rovers 1)
  Dinmore Bush Rats won the Charity Cup after a replay was ordered after a 3 all 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
- Ipswich selectors are Matthew Bailey,James Fowler,Tom Jenkinson
  Ipswich Seniors: Jack Routledge,James Lucas,Herbert Verrall,Joe Jeffrey, Joe Skellern,Henry.Skellern
- 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)
- Edwin Hawkins and Arthur Wilson win the first of there eleven Premierships the most of any player
  Edward Hawkins is player of the season
- Matthew Bailey is a Qld selector appointed to Queensland team Management
- Queensland Seniors: Jack Routledge
  Queensland 2 NSW 3,Queensland 3 NSW 2

Seniors Jack Routledge(Captain)Thomas Stewart,Henry Skellern,Joe Skellern,James Lucas,William Potts.Herb Verrall,Herman Pioch Arthur Wilson(1879-1952) Edward Hawkins,Joe Jeffrey,Henry Ingham,David Young,Sydney Skellern

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Goals		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	Bundamba Rangers	9	2		7			4

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Secretary: Ernest Skellern
Executive Committee:Matthew Bailey, Alexander Stewart, Henry Ingham, Jack Routledge
Delegate to Queensland British Football Association meetings: Matthew Bailey

6th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General* *(36)*

Challenge Cup Final

Bush Rats 2 vs Rovers 1 (1st October**)**

The final match in the above competition was played, on Saturday last, in Nunn's paddock; Dinmore, and, considering the state of the weather, the attendance of spectators was very good. The Rovers were minus the services of S. Shelley, but all the same they made a stubborn fight for the cup. The following are the names of players in the respective teams:

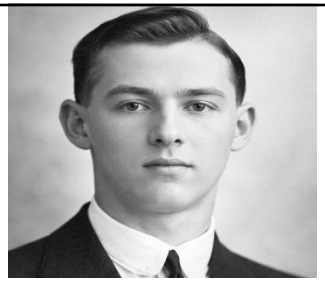
Rovers:. Goal, T. Morris; full-backs, T. Follet and &A Hamilton (captain); half-becks, E.Woolley, T. Gillow, andW. Hamilton; forwards,. G. Marsh, B. Tapp, J. Marsh.Woolley, and E. Boulton

Bush Rats: Goal, B.Inglam;. Full back, J. Routledge (captain) and AWilson; half-backs, J. Lucas, A. Stewart and S. Skellern; forwards, H. 8kellern, H. VerralL, T. Stewart, Joe Jeffrey, and J. 8kellern.

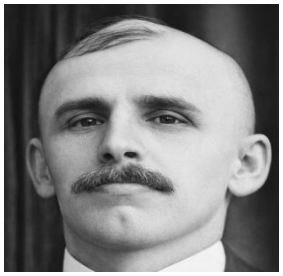
Punctually at 330 the teams were on the field Routledge won the toss and elected to kick with a strong wind in his favour. The ball was set in motion by the Rovers in a drizzling rain and it was evident that the players were in for a lively time, owing to the rain, mud, and strong gusty wind. The ball was soon in a very greasy state, and it was not until about half an hour from the start that the first goat was scored by the Rats, from a fine shot by A. Stewart, who secured the leather after it had been once returned by the goal-keeper (Morris) This livened the Rovers up a little, but they had little chance against the strong wind prevailing. Ingham was called upon to save, which he did in fine style, and the ball was brought to the Rovers' goal, where several corners were conceded to the Rats in possession,, but nothing resulted. From a pass from the right wing across the goal month, H Skellern, by a strong shot, scored No. 2 goal for the Rats,. amid loud cheering, the "barracking" at this period being deafening.

The Rovers got the ball near the Rats' goal, and looked like scoring, as several free kicks were allowed them near the goal, bet nothing resulted. At half-time the scores were-Bush Rats, 2 goals; Rovers, nil In the second half, the wind had eased. down a little, and the Rovers -were very soon attacking the Rats' goal, but apparently, the assault was not to last long, as the Rats' de. fence at this stage was all that could be desired and the forwards kept the Rovers' defenders busy, but could not secure in fact, the Rovers found it necessary to put an extra full back on. This plan was successful in srelieving the irgoal uoneideraty, and in their, efforts to suore the Rovers were awarded a free kick about a yard from the Rats' goal mouth. Tapp was successful in scoring go al Nom 1 for Rovers with, a bit of tricky play.

The Rovers tried, hard to equalise matters, but when the whistle-sounded the scores were--'Bush. Rats 2 goals, Rovers 1. The Rats are thus the winners of the Challenge Cup and badges for the 1898 season. It would be unfair to particularise the play of the teams owing to the greasy state of the ball and ground, but it is needless to say that the backs and goalkeepers of. each team worked their hardest. Mr. J Fowles, of Brisbane, gave every satisfaction as referee, and the linesmen were Messrs. W. Potts and H. BesgroueThe Charity Cup final is to be decided next Saturday on the same ground, the competing teams being the Rangers Rats.



Joe Skellern



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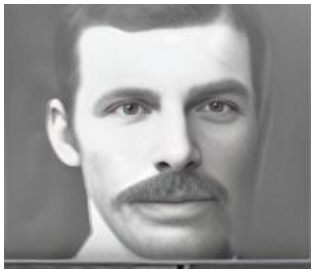

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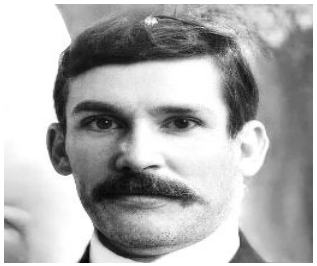

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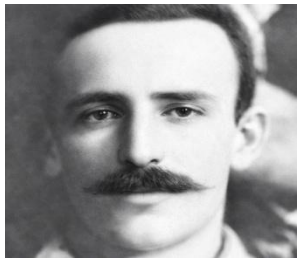

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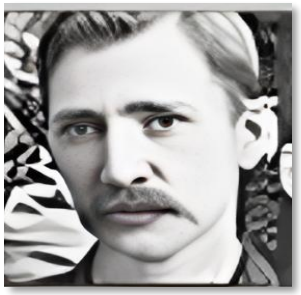
Herb Verrall



Henry Skellern

-1898-

Dinmore Bush Rats

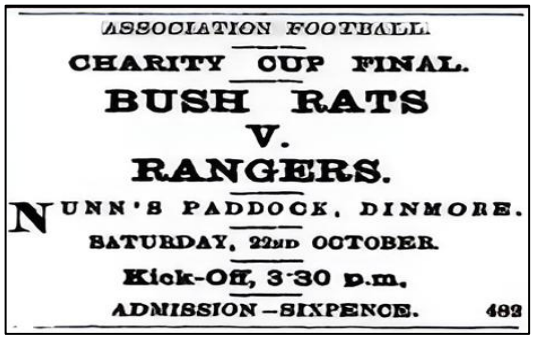
Challenge Cup and Charity Cup Winners

Others: Jack Routledge (Captain) Thomas Stewart, James Lucas, Henry Ingham, David Young

11th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General (37)*

Charity Cup Final

Bush Rats 3 vs Rangers 3 (8th October)


ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

CHARITY CUP FINAL.

BUSH RATS

V.

RANGERS.

NUNN'S PADDOCK, DINMORE.

SATURDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

Kick-Off, 3-30 p.m.

ADMISSION—SIXPENCE. 482

The final match for the Charity Cup was played in Nunn's paddock, Dinmore, between the Bush Rats and the Rangers, and resulted in a draw, both side scoring 3 goals each

. There was a good attendance of spectators. The following are the names of the players

-Bush Rats: Goal, H. Ingham ; full-backs J. Routledge (captain) and A. Wilson; half-backs-E. Hawkins, J. Lucas, and S. Skellern; forwards -H. Skellern, T. Stewart, Joe Jeffrey, A. Stewart, and Joe Skellern

Rangers: Goal, B. Dobbie; full-backs, J. Kitchen and W . Perrett (captain); half-backs--S. Dobbie, G. Seymour J Kitchen; forwards-J Dobbie, W. Lindsay W. Denton, H. Besgrove, and D. Gledson

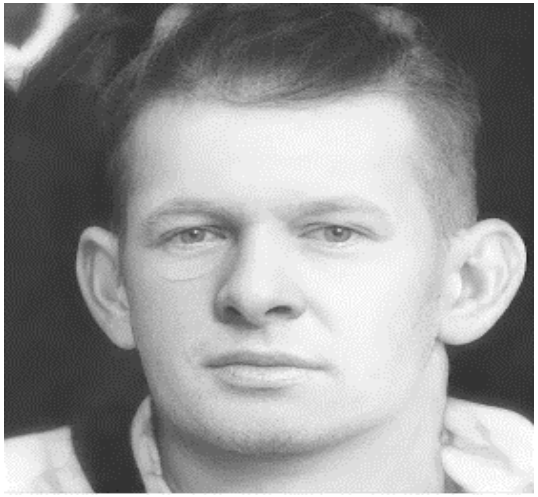
The referee was Mr. Jenkinson, and the line-umpires were Messrs. A. Rankine and A. Inglis. The Rangers' captain won the toss and decided to kick toward the river, a strong gusty wind blowing across the field. The Rats kicked off, and give-and-take play ensued when a corner was registered for the Rats, with no result. Kicked off again, the Rats' forwards gained possession, another corner resulting, off which T Stewart scored No. 1 goal for the Rats. A good rush by the Rangers resulted in a goal, but it was disallowed, Gledson having knocked it through with his hands. The ball then travelled up towards the Rangers' citadel, a corner being conceded the Rats, off which T. Stewart was again successful in kicking No. 2 goal for the Rats. The ball was kept well in the Rangers' quarters, several corners being allowed to the Rats, but nothing resulted. The ball was kept going up and down the field until half-time was called, the scores being-Bush Rats, 2 goals; Rangers, nil. On resuming, play was more even until a grand rush by the Rangers eventuated in J. Dobbie scoring No. 1 goal for the Rangers. Great excitement now prevailed, and splendid play was shown by both sides. A corner was granted to the Rangers, W. Denton thereby securing No. 2 goal. Give and take play was now the order of the day, several fouls being registered against both teams.

The ball was brought up to the Rats' goal-mouth, and, amidst a lot of bustling. W. Lindsay scored No. 3 goal for the Rangers. The "barracking" was deafening. Excellent play then took place in front of the Rangers' goal, where Joe Jeffrey scored No. 3 goal for the Rats, a minute and a half before time. When time was called the scores were 3 goals each. It was decided to play half-an-hour longer-a quarter of an hour each way-and during this period Joe Skellern shot at goal, the ball just rolling over the bar. Creditable expositions were being given by both sides when the whistle blew to change ends. In this quarter the Rats were never out of the Rangers' territory, but nothing resulted.

When the final whistle sounded, the match was still a draw, neither side having scored additional points. It would be unfair to particularise the play of the teams, as one and all worked their hardest to win.

Premiership Titles

In the 136 year history of Football in Brisbane/Ipswich three players stand alone in number of Premierships won 11 titles each. They are Arthur Wilson, Edward Hawkins(No photo) and Dan Roderick



Dan Roderick
Rosebells, Latrobe, Bundamba Rangers, St Helens
1932, 1933, 1935, 1936, 1937
1938, 1939, 1944, 1945, 1947, 1948

Edward Hawkins
Dinmore Bush Rats
1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902
1903, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1910

Arthur Wilson
Dinmore Bush Rats
1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902,
1903, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1910

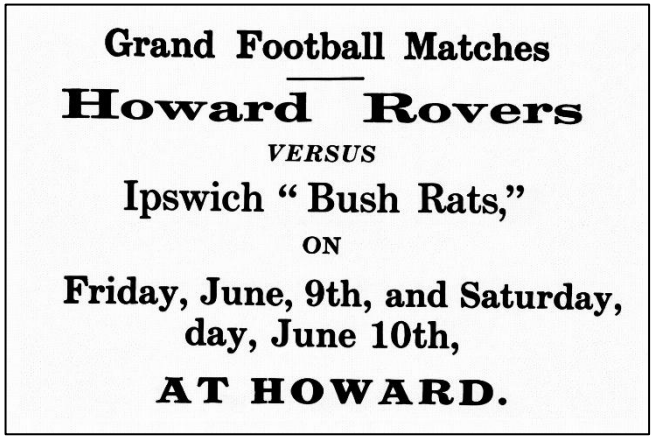
1899

Dinmore Bush Rats

Champions/Challenge Cup/Charity Cup Winners

- Robert Kelly appointed President of the Association after a meeting at the Prince Alfred Hotel
  Robert Kelly was the licencee of the Prince Alfred. The Patron is his Excelleny Lord Lamington
- Telephone exchange between Ipswich and Brisbane established,match results could be delivered much quicker
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 1)
  They also win the Brisbane Charity Cup
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Champions of Ipswich. Final (Bush Rats 3 Bundamba Rangers 1)
  They receive the R Kelly Badges
- Howard Rovers visit Ipswich and play four matches against Dinmore Bush Rats

Challenge Cup



Grand Football Matches

Howard Rovers

VERSUS

Ipswich " Bush Rats,"

ON

Friday, June, 9th, and Saturday, day, June 10th,

AT HOWARD.

Charity Cup

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President: William J Lynch
Vice President: John Stafford, William Reynolds, Joseph Hudson(1847-1933) Thomas Crabbe, Thomas Schofield, James McGrath A Roberts, Matthew Bognuda (1863-1922) J Frazier, Joseph Lowe, C Walker, J Jones, W Myers, C Vincent
Secretary: John Potts
Committee: Jack Routledge, Matthew Bailey, Alexander Stewart, David Young, Arthur Wilson
Delegate: Matthew Bailey

Seniors: Jack Routledge(Captain) Henry Skellern, Alec Stewart, William Wright, Herman Pioch, Arthur Shearer, William Potts, *Sydney Skellern, Edward Hawkins, Arthur Wilson, Herb Verrall, Joe Skellern, Henry Ingham, James Lucas, Joe Kitching

Juniors: David Young, Edward Shearer. J Edmund, William Dawes(Died 1953)Arthur Hudson, George Verrall, Roderick Wilson

*Player of the year

Challenge Cup

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Bush Rats	7	6		1	12
2	Blackstone Rovers	7	4	1	2	9
3	North Brisbane	6			1	
4	South Brisbane	6		1	3	

Ipswich and West Moreton

Place	Team	Played	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

8th June *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (38)*

Award to Matthew Bailey

Silver badge awarded by the members of the club to Mr. M. Bailey, late secretary and delegate and J Potts as tokens of esteem by the club

24th August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (39)*

Challenge Cup Final

Bush Rats 3 vs Blackstone Rovers 1 (19th August)

The above teams (says our Dinmore correspondent) met on the Rats' ground, at Dinmore, on Saturday last in the final match for the Brisbane Challenge Cup. As was anticipated, both teams were strongly represented, as also were the " barrackers." There was a good numbers of spectators, who evinced great interest in the contest. J Routledge skippered the Rats, and Andy Hamilton discharged a similar duty for the Rovers. The Rats won the toss, and decided to play with the wind slightly in their favour.

The game, in the first half, was very even (and the barracking strong), the goalkeepers being called upon very frequently to save, which they did in good style. The defence of both teams was all that could be desired, and shortly before half-time the Rats managed to score a goal, which was the result of a combined rush of the forwards, H Skellern putting the ball through the goal. In the second half the Rats set to work, and were not slow in potting another goal, which was the result of a good shot from J Dobbie .

The Rovers then put in some good work, but the Rats' defence was "all there," and the ball was transferred to the Rovers' goal. Several corners were conceded to the Rats, though no goals resulted but the Rats eventually scored another goal from a capital shot across the Rovers goal by H Skellern, which was helped through by J. Dobbie. The Rats' supporters were jubilant, and this had the effect of waking the Rovers up a bit, as they played a much better game for the rest of the time, and succeeded in scoring a goal, which was a splendid shot by E. Bolton.

The Rovers had the best of the play until time was called, but did not score again, and when the whistle was sounded the scores were - Rats, 3; Rovers, 1 goal. Of course, the Rats were elated over their success, and they were loudly cheered at the conclusion of the game. This is the third season that they have won the cup - twice in succession.

The winners had the assistance of their old club mate (W.Wright), who played a good game in his accustomed position as centre forward. The full backs, J. Kitchen and Routedge, did well, as also did the rest of the team. For the losers, Sam Shelley, A. Hamilton, Bolton, Marsh, and Morris were the pick. Mr.W. Dobbie was the referee, and gave every satisfaction while Messrs. A. Stewart and J. Jones were the linesmen. A collection (in aid of the funds of the association) was taken up, and the appeal met with a liberal response.

17th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (40)*

Charity Cup Final

Bush Rats 3 vs Blackstone Rovers 1 (14th October)

The match between the Rangers and the Bush Rats for Mr. Kelly's badges was played at Booval under the auspices of the Ipswich andWest Moreton British Football Association. There was a fair gathering of spectators.

The game resulted in a victory for the Bush Rats by 3 goals to 1.

The day was nice and cool for football. Both teams were represented by their best players, as the team that won on this occasion would have the honour of winning the badges. The teams were as follows:--

Rangers: In goal,W. Lindsay; full backs, J. Kitchen andW. Perrett; halfbacks--A. Dobbie, S. Sparks, and G. Seymour; forwards-J. Dobbie, H. Besgrove, A. Dobbie,W. Denton, and D. Gledson

. Bush Rats: In goal, H. Ingham; fullbacks, J. Routledge and A.Wilson; halfbacks-W. Ports, E. Hawkins, and J. Lucas; forwards-J. Skellern, S. Skellern, A. Stewart, H.Verrall, and H. Skellern

. The Rangers' skipper won the toss, and decided to kick into the goal near the road. A. Stewart kicked off, and some give-and-take play took place in midfield for a considerable time. From a throw-in, Sparks got possession of the ball and with a good kick sent it well towards the Bush Rats' goal.

The Rangers' forwards following up creditably, J. Dobbie secured the leather and placed it between the posts amidst great cheering from the Rangers' followers. Kicked off again, the game was very fast, both teams showing good combination. The Rats' forwards then came on with a great rush, and after some splendid passing A. Stewart scored first goal for the Rats. Kicked off, the Rats forced the play the half-backs and forwards doing some good work, which was the means of A. Stewart placing the second goal to the credit of the Rats amidst great excitement.

The Rats continued to force the game, and after some good passing by the Rats' forwards H. Skellern scored third goal for the Rats. Soon after this halftime was called. On resuming A. Dobbie kicked off, and some very even play took place. J. Dobbie and Besgrove then broke away with a rush, and looked very much like scoring, but Ingham gained possession of the ball, and with a good punt relieved his goal.

Some good play ensued, each side doing their best to score, but, owing to the splendid defence of both teams, no more goals were added to the score.

The game all through the second half was very fast.When time was called the score stood--Rats, 3 goals; Rangers, 1. The great feature of the game was the friendly spirit in which it was played. Mr. A. Hamilton, at the request of both clubs, acted as referee, and gave general satisfaction. The Rats all played a good game. For the Rangers the most noticeable were Lindsay, J. Dobble, Sparks, and Besgrove.

23rd December *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (41)*

Bush Rats Soccer Club Smoke Concert

A successful, Smoke concert, under the auspices of the "Bush Rats Football Club was held in Roache's rooms, Dinmore.

In the absence of the President (Mr W.J. Lynch), Mr. Mat Bognuda, vice-president, presided

There was a large attendance, and the trophies won by the Bush Rats during the season, the Brisbane Challenge Cup and the Charity Cup were on view. They had won these handsome cups two years in succession.

The following players were presented with the silver badges won by them in the Queensland British Football Association Challenge Cup competition for the 1898 season

-J Routledge (Captain) A Stewart. A Wilson, E. Hawkins, W Potts, D Young, J Skellern, H Skellern, S Skellern, J Jeffrey, H Verrall, T Stewart, H Ingham H. Pioch, and J. Lucas.

It was resolved that Mr. E. 'C. Morgan (of Ipswich) take charge of the Challenge Cup, and Mr M. Bognuda the Charity Cup until the next season. A musical evening was enjoyed

Woollen Mills

Denmark Hill

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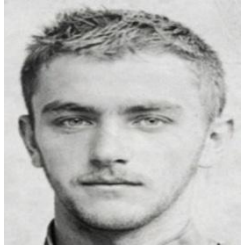
Dinmore Bush Rats
1899/1900/1901/1902/1903
Premiers

Joe Skellern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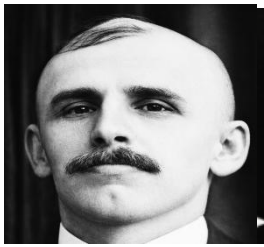
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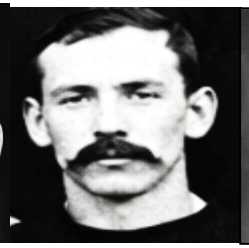
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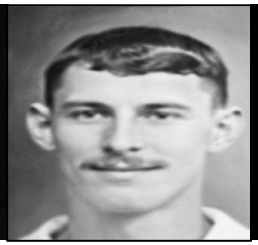
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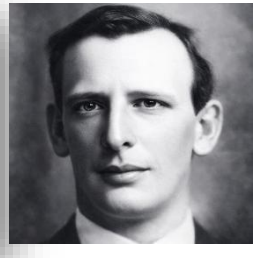
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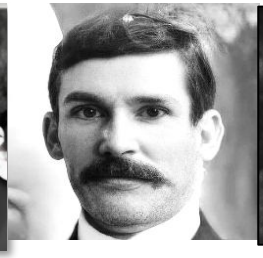
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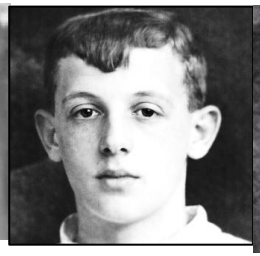
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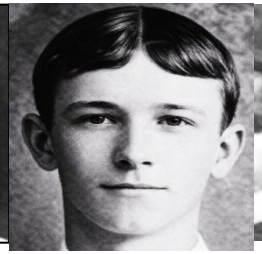
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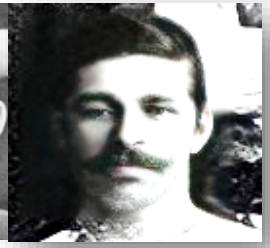
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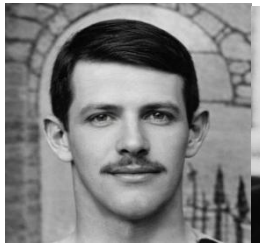
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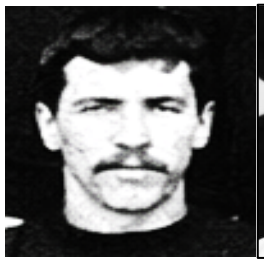
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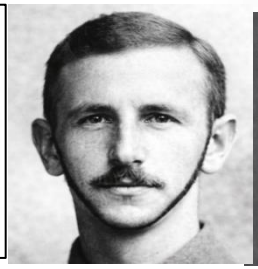
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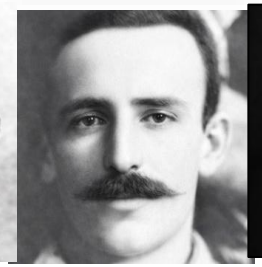
Sydney Skellern

Jack Potts

Others: Jack Routledge(Captain),Edward Shearer,Michael Devereaux,Harry Ingham
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1900

Dinmore Bush Rats

Champions/Challenge Cup Winners
Second team Lower Division Champions

- C S Tremlow elected President of IWMFA at a meeting at the North Australian Hotel

  The Balance sheet showed reeipts were £14 7s. 8 p expenditure was £13 3s 9 p,credit balanse of £1
- No competition in Brisbane and Challenge and Charity Cups are given to Ipswich teams on behalf of QBFA
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane and Ipswich Challenge Cup and Brisbane Charity Cup

  Brisbane Challenge Cup Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 2)

  Ipswich Challenge Cup Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers nil)
- Dinmore Bush Rats also win the Badges (Ipswich Premiers)
- Howard Rovers travelled to Ipswich to play Dinmore Bush Rats staying at the Price Alfred Hotel at Booval

  (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Howard Rovers 1)
- Dinmore Bush Rats defeat Royals to win the Junior Premiership

Seniors: Jack Routledge(Captain) Arthur Wilson(Player of the year) George Duck,Edward Hawkins,A McCrea,Henry Skellern Henry Ingham,Edward Shearer,Jack Potts,William Potts,Thomas Young,(1872-1943) Sydney Skellern,A Hood,Herb Verrall Michael Egan(1893-1974) David Lilley(1879-1951) Michael Devereaux,James Dobbie,Alec Stewart

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President: William J Lynch
Secretary: Jack Potts Junior

Ipswich and West Moreton Premiership

Place	Team	Played	Won	Loss	Points
1	Bush Rats	4	4	2	8
2	Blackstone Rovers	4	2	2	4
3	Bundamba Rangers	4	1	3	2

25 September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (42)*
Premiership decider
Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers nil (22 September)

The final match for the premiership and the badges of the Ipswich andWest Moreton British Association took place on the Rangers' ground, Bundamba, and attracted a large crowd of spectators.

The following are the names of the teams :
Rovers: In goal, T. Morris; full.backs, A. Hamilton and F.Woolley; half.backs--J. Gambling, J. Johns, and I. Tuoker; forwards G. Marsh, J. Marsh, G. Tapp R. Tapp, andW. Hamilton,
Rats:'In goal, H. Ingham; full. backs, E. Shearer and A.Wilson; half. backs -W. Potts, E. Hawkins, and J.Young forwards-H. Skellern, HVerrall, H Hood, A. Stewart, and S. Skellern.

The referee was Mr.W. Lindsay, while the "wielders of the flags" on the respecetive lines were Messrs. J. Muoklow andW. Dawes

Winning the toss, T'Rats kicked off with the sun at their backs a great advantage, as during the first half T'Rovers' sterling goal-keeper (T. Morris) was considerably handicapped by the sun being full in his eyes. All the same, splendid all-round play ensued, interspersed with some brilliant expositions of passing, and the enthusiasm of the spectators was quickly worked up to the highest pitch,

A free kick to the Rats resulted in a "corner" being obtained by them; but nothing was gained, except that, while the bail was in a dangerous position for the Blaokstone citadel, a "free" was awarded to the Rovers by Mr. Lindsay, a decision that met almost unanimous applause. The sphere was, however, quickly re. turned to the Rovers' territory, and H.Verrall dropped a beautiful goal from the centre, amidst deafening acclamation, and cries of "All the way, T'Rats "The Rovers' blood was " ris," and from this period up to No. 2 goal scored from by E. Hawkins being obtained by the Rats, there was seen one of the keenest fought out " British" football battles that have been witnessed in this district a magnificent open game and the pace began to tell on the Blackstone reps. Indeed, it was during this stage that Tom Morris (Rovers goal-keeper) performed like a veritable Trojan to keep the ball from entering the Blackstone citadel-he relieved gallantly time after time, but the leather was just as quickly back again on him, until at length F.Woolley came to his assistance and sent the sphere out of danger-for a little while only, for T'Rats made another bold charge for r Rovers' goal-month, where Hawkins succeeded, as stated above, in potting the ball through. ***(see over)***

Kicked off, the Rovers got possession and made several determined efforts to score-in short, the musical George Tapp, from the centre, all but " tapped" first blood for the Rovers, the ball falling just over the bar

At the call of half-time, the score stood-Rats, 2 goals; Rovers, nil. After a supply of oranges had disappeared, .the battling operations were resumed, and had not long been under way before a mighty roar arose from hundreds of throats, T.Young scoring No.3 goal a regular "daisy-cutter" for the Rats, and the noise in consequence was deafening.

From this out, although the Rovers played a good defensive game, their attack was weak--lacked combination; while H. Ingham's care of the Rats' citadel was superb all through. The game resulted in a decided victory for the Rats by 3 goals to nil.

9th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (43)*
Challenge Cup Final
Bush Rats 5 vs Blackstone Rovers 2 (6th October)

The final contest for the Challenge Cup, played at Bundamba, between the Bush Rats and the Rovers, resulted in a win for the Rats by S goals to 2. It had been anticipated the the final would have been decided on the previous Saturday, but the contest, even though the time was extended for 10 minutes, resolved in a draw. Since then the personnel of the teams was slightly changed.

There was a numerous attendance of spectators, and excitement ran high. The Rats took advantage df the wind in the first halt, but I nevertheless the Rovers were the first to sore, through the agency of J. Marsh. They did not long maintain the lead, however, for E. Hawkins added a goal on behalf of the Rats, and soon afterwards S. Skellern did likewise.

In the second half each side got another goal, thus leaving the Bush Rats, when time was called, with a lead of 5 goals to 2

31st January 1901 *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (44)*

Presentation of the Premiership badges (29th January 1901)

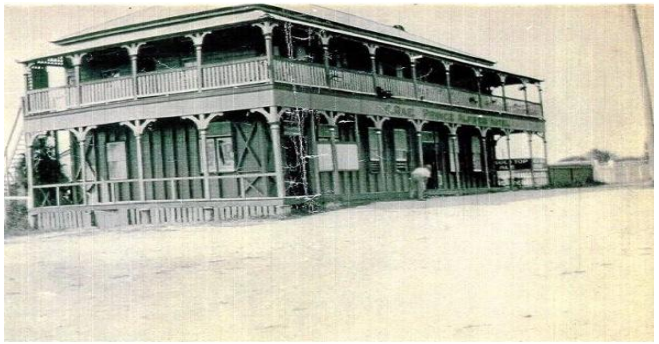
Presentation of the premiership badge for last season's British Association football took place on Tuesday night, at Mr. John White's Prince Alfred Hotel, Booval.

The medals which are of silver, and nicely designed, are each engraved with the name of the recipient, and ware obtained from the establishment of Mr. D. Goldstine, jeweller, on whom the workmanship reflects much credit. Mr. E. G. Morgan, president of the association, made the presentations, and heartily congratulated the Bush Rats Football Club on the success of its first and second teams in winning the premierships respectively of the Senior and Junior divisions.

He also had a word of encouragement for the losing clubs, and said that the Blackstone Rovers, by their splendid display in the final matches, deserved better luck than had attended them. He hoped that they would not be disheartened by the result, but rather spurred on to fresh efforts, and stated that, if either the Rangers or Rovers succeeded in annexing the premiership this year, the win would be a most popular one. The Bush Rats, in addition to winning the premierships, are also holders of the Queensland British Football Association's Challenge and Charity Cups, the first mentioned of these cups having been won by the senior team daring the seasons of 1898, 1899, and 1900.

The junior team exhibited capital form in their fixtures last year and their appearance in the senior division during the coming season is looked forward to with much interest by the supporters of this truly "British" form of football.

Badges of Michael Deveraux



(Prince Alfred Hotel)

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions/Challenge Cup Winners
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

- No Competition in Brisbane
- The Ipswich Association Balance Sheet was two Pound eleven Shillings and two Pence
- Dinmore Bush Rats donated a small cup-called the Hodgers Cup-for competition
- Agreement with the QBFA for Ipswich teams to play for the Brisbane Challenge Cup
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane and Ipswich Challenge Cup

  Brisbane Challenge Cup Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Combined Juniors 1)
  Ipswich Challenge Cup Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 4 vs Bundanba Rangers 1)
- Arthur Wilson won the silver medal for the best all-round player of the season for Bush Rats,by a unanimous vote of the members. The medals are silver from Mr. D Goldstine,Jeweller

Dinmore Bush Rats Seniors: Jack Roultedge(Captain) Herman Pioch,Joe Skellern,Alec Campbell,Arthur Wilson, Edward Hawkins Henry Skellern,Edward Shearer,Thomas Young, Sydney Skellern,Herb Verrall,James Tedman
Dinmore Bush Rats Seconds: **Premiers**

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President: William Lynch
Vice President: John Stafford

***Smoking concerts** were live performances usually of music, before an audience of men only, popular during the Victorian era. These social occasions were instrumental in introducing new musical forms to the public. At these functions men would smoke and speak of politics while listening to live music.

Ipswich and West Moreton

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Bush Rats	6	4		2	8
2	Bundamba Rangers	6	4		2	8
3	Royals	6	2		4	4

17th August Bush Rats 4 vs Rangers 1 (Final)

Challenge Cup

*Brisbane Challenge Cup loaned to Ipswich Association for Competition

21st September	Combined Juniors 5 Rangers 1
5th October	Bush Rats 3vs Royals nil
12th October(Challenge Cup Final)	Bush Rats 2 Combined Juniors 1

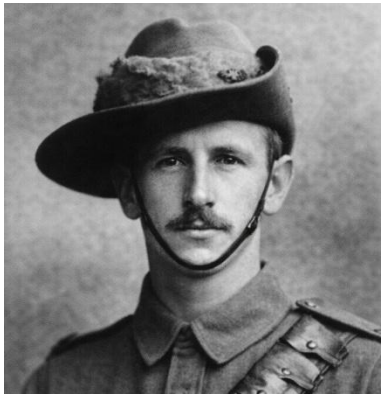
19th February *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (45)*

South African Boar war send off for William Potts and Michael Devereaux (15th February)

A very successful (though somewhat hastily arranged) smoke concert, under the auspices of the Bush Rats Football Club, Dinmore, was (writes our Dinmore correspondent) held, in: Roach's rooms, on Friday night last, for the dual purpose of giving a send-of to two members of the club-namely,' Messrs.W. Potts and M. Devereaux, who are going to. South Africa (Boar War) as members of the fifth contingent and also of making the presentation of medals to the senior and junior teams which were won last season In the competitions of the West Moreton British Football Association.

**Private William Potts, Private Michael Egan, Private David Lilley were members of the Fifth (Queensland Imperial Bushmen) contingent that left Australia on the 6th March and returned on the 30th April 1902.*
William Potts returned as a Corporal and Michael Egan as a Sergeant

Michael Egan



William Potts

Premiership Ring for 1900 presented toMichael Devereaux 19/02/01)

20th August *Queensland Times*
Ipswich Challenge Cup Final (46)

Bush Rats 4 vs Rangers 1 (17th August)

The final badge match between the above named slobs, which took place on theWhitwood ground, attracted a large attendance of spectators, including a great number of the fair sex (writs "Old Spore").The following are the names of the teams:
Bush Rats : In goal, H Piooh, backs, A.Wilson and Rouitledge; half-basks-T. Young, E Hawkins, and Shearer; forwards-right wing, S Sbellern and I. Tedman; csntres,A. Campbell; left wing, H. and J. Skellern.
Rangers: In goal, G.Tite? backs.W. Perrett and J. Kitching; half backs-G. Seymour, A. Hamilton and Alex Dobbie forwards -right wing, J. Dobbie and H, Besgrove; centre W. M'Crae; left wing.Aroh. Dobbie and G Marsh.
The refereeing, was entrusted to Mr.W. Lindsey, whose handling of the whistle gave satisfaction.The line umpires were Messrs B. Dobbie and O Coleman. Both teams were in fine form and as soon as the ball was put in motion each side set to work with great vim, encouraged as they were, by the merry voices of their respective barrackers.

T'Rats quickly, drove the Rangers back to their citadel, where a"corner" was obtained to the credit of the Rats. Joe Skellern took the kick, landing the sphere fair on the head of a Ranger (W. Perrett), who put the ball right into goal thus unfortunately scoring 'First blood" for the Rats. Kicked off, the ball was again returned to the Rangers' territory, in which some excellent all round play was witnessed, eventually ending in No. 2 goal being obtained by S Skellern to the credit of T'Rats.

The Rangers then rallied up, and for a time the battling took place in the Rats territory, where gives-and-take play resulted inW. McRae getting a goal for the Rangers, amidst a perfect bedlam of lung music. From this cut until the half time whistle was blown the battling was of a most stubborn character, but no alteration was made in the scores, which were-Rats, 2 goals; Rangers, 1. " Lemon oh l"
On resumption of hostilities ends were changed, and T'Rats and Rangers went at it in a most spirited manner, the last-named warriors being in close range of scoring; in short T'Rats' citadel was subjected to several fierce bombardments, but Pioch was "at home" and saved the position

.The heavy work began to tell on the Rangers, who, owing to the "wounding" of several of their men, were compelled to retire within their own fighting line.T'Rats succeeded in obtaining two more goals (thanks to the efforts of H. and J. Skellern), and when time was called the Rats had vanquished the Rangers by 4 goals to 1, thus securing the premiership (with badges) of West Moreton.

15th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (47)*

Challenge Cup Final

Bush Rats 2 vs Combined Juniors 1 (12th October)

The final match in connection with the competition for the Queensland British Association's Challenge Cup took place on Saturday at Booval between the Bush Rats and Combined Juniors.

The juniors elected to defend the Brisbane Road goal, having the advantage of a slight breeze.

From the kick-off both teams played up with great determination, the juniors displaying excellent form against their more experienced opponents. After about 20 minutes' play the Rats succeeded in putting the ball through from a scrimmage in front of the juniors' goal. Nothing daunted, the latter redoubled their effort, and were at length rewarded with a goal from a long shot by Walter Yates.

The second spell started with both sides being equal, one goal each. The play was quite as spirited as in the opening half, but gradually the Rats asserted their supremacy and again scored, the game ending in a win for the seniors by two goals to one. Mr. G. Hardie made a most impartial referee. Where all played so well, it would be invidious to make distinctions, but the juniors deserve a special word of commendation for their plucky and clever exposition. This match terminated a most successful season, and the Association is to be congratulated on having aroused and maintained a hearty interest in this fine form of sport.

(Brisbane Street)

(Nicholas Street)

1902

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions
Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association

- Soccer goalposts erected at the North Ipswich Reserve for practice
- David Lilley,Michael Egan and William Potts return from the Boer War
- The Brisbane Challenge Cup is open to both Senior and Junior teams
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Challenge Cup for the fourth year in succession,an achievement that will not be beaten .Final (Dinmore Buish Rats 2 Bundanba Rangers nil
- WW1 Veteran George Gilson Captain's Dinmore School team

Seniors: Matthew. Powell, Thomas Bennett, Alex Jeffrey(1881-1950) Ernie(Dad) Verrall, (1882-1957) Jack Routledge,Arthur Wilson, Thomas Young, Edward Hawkins, William Potts, James Lucas, Sydney Skellern, Herb Verrall, Alec Campbell, Henry Skellern William Dawes, Martin Randolph, Arthur Tedman

**Thomas Young and William Dawes were on the Committee that oversaw the building of Dinmore State School in 1889*

Patron: Reverernd A Horan
President: William J Lynch
Secretary: James Tedman Junior
Committee: William Lynch, John Staflord, Matthew Bailey, Thomas Schoefield, J Lowe, Alec Stewart, Thomas Burns, James Tedman J Roberts

20th May *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (48)*

A large and most enthusiastic gathering assembled on Saturday evening at Mrs. Roache's Hall, Dinmore, to celebrate the return from South Africa of Sergeant M Egan, Corporal W. Potts, and Private Lilley, Members of the Fifth Queensland-Contingent (or, as they are more familiarly termed, "soldiers of Major Toll's Fighting Fifth"), and a right hearty welcome was accorded them. The affair was taken in hand by the following committee Messrs. W. J. Lynch(Chairman) John Stafford, Mat Bailey, T Schofield, J. Lowe, Stewart, T, Burns J Tedman and J Roberts, with Mr. J. Tedman, jun as honarary secretary, and as everyone worked energetically towards making the function worthy of the traditions of Dinmore the undertaking was a pronounced success. The catering was in the capable hand of Mr. Isaac Ham, and was faithfully carried out.

23rd September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (49)*

Premiership Final match

Bush Rats 2 vs Rangers nil (20th September)

Sr. Helens ground,Whitwood, presented a most animated appearance last Saturday afternoon (writes "Old Sport"), when there was a large attendance, including a good sprinkling of the fair sex, who evinced great interest in the "rubber" contest between thoseWest Moreton champion exponents of the Anglo Saxon game namely, T'Rats and T'Rangers.

At several stages if tie play " Bedlam" seemed to be let loose, the attacking being of the wildest description. Both teams had plenty of supporters, and the match was splendidly contested throughout, at times the play being of a most brilliant nature. A.Wilson captained the Bush Rats, while J. Kitchin skippered the Rangers.

The following are the names of the respective team

:Bush Rats--In goal, E.Verrall; backs, J. Routledge and A.Wilson; half-backsT.Young, E. Hawkins, and W. Potts; forwards-.. Lucas, S. Skellern, H.Verrall, A. Campbell, H. Skellern

. Rangers In goal, A. Denton ; backs, J. Kitchin and O.Watkins: half-backs-F.Vassella, H. Bird, and H. Besgrove ; forwards-J. Dobbie, A. Dobbie, J. Bullock, 1. Bullock, and J R Tapp.

A little difficulty arose through the appointed referee not being present owing to a prior engagement, and after several solicitations both captains agreed to Mr. G. Furlong, a stranger to the members of both clubs, acting as referee, and lie is to be commended for the manner in which lie wielded the whistle throughout the match. Messrs.W. Lindsay and O. Coleman were the line-umpires.

The Rangers won the toss, and elected to kick up the hill. No sooner was the ball put in motion than the excitement commenced-full-hearted excitement it was, too, and some of the spectators appeared to go frantic at times, hats flying about in all directions .Hands, too, were waved about, irrespective of whose face they bumped against, and this led to fisticuffs straight away, one smart combat, which took place on the public road outside of the football ground, lasting for some time, much "claret" being in evidence?.

It was apparent that both the Rangers and the Rats had carefully trained for the battle, and veteran lovers of the "British" game rubbed shoulders in great glee, remarking, " There's going to be a ding-dung go, eh ?" The Bundamba reps. put in some excellent work, and soon worked the leather into Dinmore territory (the home of the renowned Bush Rats), a " corner" resulting, but the kick for the goal-mouth was wide of the " spot." T'Rats rallied, and by a series of grand passing tactics invaded the Bundamba territory. For a time the Rangers' citadel seemed in imminent danger-once, indeed, the sphere went so close to the outside post that a wild roar of delight was raised for '"Rats ; but it was a false alarm.

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No goal T Rats then for a while kept up a fierce bombardment of their opponents' headquarters, and the Rangers were working like veritable Trojans in repulsing tile vigorous attacks. "Go on, Rats !" urged the multitude of spectators, while the other lot shouted "Come on, Rangers !" there was a good number of Ipswichite's present ***(over page)*** *And the dark blue cladded warriors responded to their barrackers' call most nobly.*

They came along with a great dash, and, after some pretty work, the Rangers crossed the boundary-line, and succeeded in gutting is close proximity to the Rats' citadel, a "corner" to the Rangers being the outcome. The kick at goal was a failure, and then followed some lovely football, for a little while theT Rats seeming to be mesmerised.

The Rangers certainly had their opponents at their mercy, but, try how they would, they failed to find the direction of the goal-mouth. Play slackened a bit in vigour, and then the Rats again entered the Rangers' territory, but the whistle sounded half-time, the result being nil, neither side having scored. The second-half was responsible for perhaps, the best display of spirited football that has been witnessed in West Moreton for many years. The Rangers infused great vim into their work at the resumption of play, and quickly had the Rats on the defensive.

A couple of very narrow saves occurred, and T Rats were battling with tremendous rigour. Every fine bit of play was greeted with hearty acclamation and boisterous cheering. Getting al opening, T Rats made a splendid onslaught across the dividing-line, and it was while in their opponents' territory that some of the most brilliant skirmishing that it has been my lot for some time to witness took place.

Not a man on either side was loafing. Each man did his level best. The play was fast, furious, and, at periods, lovely ; and when, at last, H. Verrall, from a neat pass from H. Skellern, just opposite the Rangers' citadel, put the ball between the posts and under the bar, the uproar defied description. No. 1 goal for the Rats. "Get at it again, Rangers-quick. Give them no time," shouted a hoarsely-lunged barracker.

The Rats, having '" tasted blood," as it were, were soon on the ball like tigers, and, despite the workmen like efforts of the Rangers, the combined passing of the Rats again resulted in success, No. 2 goal having been scored by A. Campbell from a pass by Syd. Skellern. For some time the Rats bombarded the Rangers' headquarters, and, although they went very close twice to "pottin' goals-once A. Campbell, by a we B-directed kick, placed the ball right on the Rangers' goalkeeper's foot-their luck was not in. Pretty bouts took place in the Rangers' territory, to be fiercely repulsed, terminating in the Rangers forcing the Rats back " homewards," and more beautiful play now took place in the Rats' territory, their citadel being in jeopardy on two or three occasions, and when "time" was called the Rangers were actively bombarding theirs opponents' headquarters, the game resulting in a will for tire Rats by 2 goals to nil.

Prominent among the victors were H. and S. Skellern, A. Wilson, T. Young, A. Campbell, J. Routledge, W. Potts, and E. Hawkins; while for the losers F. Vassella, James Dobbie, H Bird, H. Besgrove, J. Bullock, A. Dobbie, and J. Kitchin were "up to their necks" in the thick of the fray, which was well worth travelling a long way to see, and, by the way, there was a good number of Ipswichite's present.

1903

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions/Charity Cup Winners
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

- President: William Lynch
- Cars were seen for the first time in Ipswich but it would be before Bus and Rail was not the mode of transport to games
  Dinmore Bush Rats win the Ipswich Challenge and Charity Cups and he Junior Minor Premiership
  Charity Cup Final (Dinmore Bush Rats 1 Royals nil)
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Junior Minor Premiers
- Ipswich vs Brisbane matches (Ipswich 3 Brisbane 1) (Ipswich 2 Brisbane 3)
  Ipswich Seniors: Arthur Wilson, William Dawes, Thomas Young all of Dinmore Bush Rats were selected but refused to play

Seniors: Jack Routledge (Captain) Ernie Verrall, Herb Verrall, Arthur Wilson, Edward Hawkins, William Potts, Thomas Young, E Jones James Campbell, Henry Skellern, William Dawes, Sydney Skellern, James Tedman, Frederick Jordan (1883-1954)

Junior Second Grade: Premiers Brisbane and West Moreton
Junior Minor: Ipswich and West Moreton Premiers

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President: William J Lynch

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Bush Rats	8	6	1	1	13
2	Eskgroves	8	5	1	2	11
3	Royals	8	4	1	3	9
4	Stars	5	2	1	2	5
5	City	6			6	nil

In Memoriam

William Kennedy (Born 1855) First President of the IWMFA

29th August 1953 *Queensland Times* (50)

Ernie Verrall

Ernie (Dad)Verrall will be remembered as an outstanding goalkeeper for close on thirty years. In fact
He was considered so good that he once received an offer of £5 per week with passage paid to England, Ernie who will be 71 next month refused the offer for health reasons.
I am only sorry now that i didn't go he said during the week,Ernie who has a string of medals which bear witness to his football ability. started-his career with the Reliance Club which cleared the ground where Bush Rat now play.After four seasons he played senior with Bush Rats in 1902.

He also played at various times with Booval Stars.Goodna, Esgroves-(Brisbane), and in Toowoomba. He has played against teams from the British gunboats Mildura,Powererful and Renown, and took part In a Ipswich vs Toowoomba game on the Bundamba Racecourse.'Dad" VerralL has a handsome gold medal dated 1915.which he won in a five a side Soccer match on eight hour day at the Ipswich Reserve.

He played with Rats against Rovers,Throughout his long career Ernie remained between the goalposts, and although goalies were not protected like they are today, he got hurt on, only three occasions He said that in the olden day players could catch hold of the goalkeeper and throw him down.

The goalkeeper today had every opportunity which he thought was a good idea. During his 30 years of senior football Ernie played against hundreds of opponents.
His last game was with Rats against Blackstone two of his sons,Alan and Les, who are twins, are members of this year's senior premiership team Blackstone. Lloyd plays reserve "grade with Rovers, end two other sons. Cec. and Jim, are former Bush.Rats players.Ernie who is 6ft.Tall still carries himself very erect.

He has been a miner brickyard worker, and timber getter. Besides his football trophies he has medals which he won in the Mounted Infantry and as a member of theWhitwood premiership cricket team. In fact "Dad" Verrall. as he is popularly known, was a great versatile sportsman in his younger days
The Ernie (Dad)Verrall Trophy for Juniors was named in his Honour

-1903-

Ipswich and West Moreton

Back Row: A Hurst, Ernie Verrall (Dinmore Bush Rats) John Ross, Joe Kitching (Royals) Charles Shelley (Silkstone Stars) George Furlong

Middle Row: Tom Barker, George Jackson (Silkstone Stars) Jim Williams, Thomas Gillow (Royals) Oliver Watkins (Royals) Alf Perrett

Front Row: Walter Yates (Silkstone Stars) Abe Tibbitts (Silkstone Stars) Bill Wright (Dinmore Bush Rats) Albert Shelton (Silkstone Stars) Bill Yates (Silkstone Stars)

A Wilson, William Dawes, Thomas Young all of Dinmore Bush Rats were selected but refused to play G Marsh and W Follett also missed the train to the match C Shelley who was at the ground offered to play for Ipswich

29th August 1953 *Queensland Times,* (51)

Queensland British Football Association player grievance

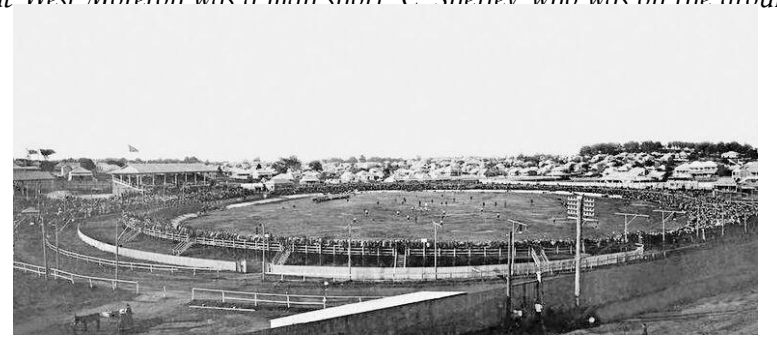
1903 An old football photograph, undated and without a single name, has been the means of recalling an incident which took place in local Soccer just 50 years ago. It is a photograph of a West Moreton Soccer team which played Brisbane at the Woolloongabba cricket ground on July 18, 1903. and is the property of a member of the team, Oliver Watkins, of Bundamba.*

The 50-years-old relic was brought to the "Queensland Times" office by Ernie -"Dad") Verrall, of Dinmore, who also played for West Moreton.

He and Oliver were able to name each person on the photograph; with one exception, but they were unable to recall the date on which it was taken. According to our files the game was played in 1903, and was won by Brisbane by 3 goal to 2. a report of the match at that time, "Old Sport" said that three Bush Rats players - A. 'Wilson, W. Dawes. and T Young-had declined to don the Guernseys owing, it was alleged, to some grievance against the Queensland British Football Association.

Two other Ipswich players, Marsh and W, Follett had missed the train, with the result that West Moreton was a man short. C. Shelley, who was on the ground, had offered to fill the vacancy and had played

A particularly good game for the visitors,. " Old -Sport" had this to say about the incident. 'I cannot understand the attitude of the Bush Rats contingent at a tine when every player of the British Rules should do his utmost to advance the game, especially considering the fact that Bush Rats have hitherto been so prominent in keeping the Anglo-Saxon game alive during the last four or five years'.



Those appearing on the photograph, which has the totalisator as a background are: Hurst (linesman) Ernie Verrall, John Ross (linesman), Joe Kitching, C. Shelley, G. Furlong (referee), Tom Barker "Old Sport"), George Jackson, Jim Williams, T. Gillow, Oliver Watkins, Alf Perrett, Wal. Yates, Abe. Tibbetts, Bill Wright (captain), A. Shelton, Bill Yates. in hi younger days.

5th October *Brisbane Courier (52)*
QBFA Final

Bush Rats 1 vs Royals nil (3rd October)

These teams met on Saturday in the final match of the Q.B.F.A Senior Competition on the Reliance ground at Dinmore, before a large number of spectators. The following were the respective teams -
Royals: Harrison, Kitching,Watkins Dobbie, Follett, Vassell, Johns,Wright, Shelly, Hamilton, and Marsh
Bush Rats: E.Verrall,Wilson, Routledge, Campbell Potts, Hawkins,Tedman S Skellern, H Skellern, HVerrall, and Young.Wright won the toss fromWilson and decided to kick uphill, having the sun somewhat in their favour. Rats, kicked off and play at once became very fast. Rats looked dangerous but nothing came of the attack. Royals then had a look in, and some good play was shown on both sides, the backs playing a good game. Royals at times showed good combination but failed at the critical moment.
Bush Rats front rank were playing a good game, but Kittching andWatkins broke up the combination time after time. A corner to Rats looked bad for Royals, but the latter cleared. From this out a ding-dong game was witnessed, both teams seeming pleased when the whistle went for half-time, when neither had scored.
The second half was a repetition of the first, there being nothing much to choose between either team. Big kicking at times by both teams spoiled good chances. -'Rats had slightly the better of It, and Royals' goalkeeper was called upon to save often.
In about twenty-five minutes' play perhaps the only mistake made by Royals' back gave the Rats an opening, which they were not slow In taking advantage of, and Tedman scored with a good shot-Rats, 1 ; Royals, nil. 'From the kick-off Rats worked well, and Royals' goalkeeper had again to save. Royals transferred, and gaveVerrall something to do, which he did well. Royals still pressed, and a couple of corners resulted, but 'Rats cleared on both occasions.
Good play by Rats' forwards made things look bad for Royals, whoso goalkeeper only just cleared. From this out Royals tried hard to equalise, but their shooting was bad, and Rats again had them in trouble, and the whistle went with the ball In Royals' goal! Rats winning by 1 to nil. This win entitles them to hold the cup. Mr. J Logan gave every satisfaction as referee.

15th December *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (53)*

Medal presentation

A concert and dance under the auspices of the Bush Rats Football Club was (writes our correspondent) held in the State school, Dinmore, on Thursday night last and was a very successful and enjoyable affair.
A strong committee (with Mr. J. Tedman Junior as Secretary) had worked hard to ensure a good nights entertainment and felt highly gratified on seeing such a large audience present, the building being crowded. Mr.W. J. Lynch (president of the club) presided and the musical part of the programme was opened with an overture on the piano by Misses Danaher and Moriarty, which was followed by songs, rendered in good style by Misses Murphy, Moriarty, S. Jones, and M McDermott, and by Messrs. S. Skellern, J. Hinch; E. Smith and the favourite comic singer Mr. G. Tapp. Each of the numbers was appreciated, judging by the applause which followed.

The first part was brought to a close by selections on the phonograph, which was manipulated by Mr. P. Jahn (of Booval) and, needless to state, the various records were listened to with pleasure. Indeed they proved to be one of the best items on the programme.
During the interval the president explained that the object of the concert was to celebrate the victory of the Bush Rats Football Club, they having again won the premiership in the senior division of the Ipswich and West Moreton British Foot ball Association, and to afford an opportunity to distribute the medals to the players. He then complimented the Bush Rats on their success, and said he hoped they would still be at the top. of the tree in the coming seasons.

Handsome silver medals were next presented to the following players: E. Verrall, A. Wilson (captain), J. Routledge, E. Hawkins, J. Campbell, W.. Potts, H. Skellern, H. Verrall, T. Young, W. Dawes, S. Skellern, F Jordan, J. Tedman, and H. Jones.
The club have gone through the season with the services of 14 players, each of whom received a medal, 11 of which were provided by the association and the remainder by the club.

The second part of the programme consisted of songs by the vocalists who assisted in the first part, supplemented by Mr. Smith of Dinmore, and Messrs. G. & F. Tapp, who appeared in a comic duet, and were encored. Selections by Mr. Jahn on his phonograph brought a very enjoyable concert to a close. Dancing was then indulged in for a couple of hours with Mr. S. Skellern as M.C., music being provided by Messrs A. Auld (violin) and E. Skellern (piano). The accompaniments during the concert were played by Misses. Danaher, Moriarty and Kennedy.

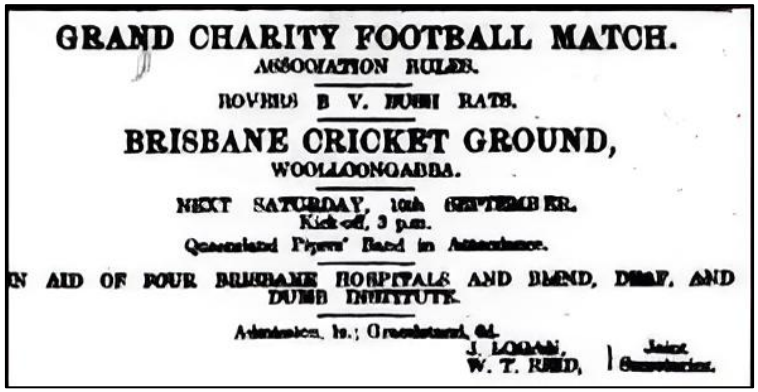
1904

Blackstone Rovers
Champions/Charity Cup Winners

- Adam Perrett resigns as Treasurer of the Ipswich Association to move interstate. He was Treasurer for four years
- Ipswich was proclaimed a city
  Ipswich Senior teams now play under the Queensland British Football Association
  The strength of the Ipswich teams is shown finishing in the top three position on the table
  Dinmore Bush Rats play in Amber and Black.
- Ipswich Seniors: James Campbell, William Dawes, James Jordan, William Lucas, Arthur Verrall, Arthur Tedman James Tedman Thomas Young
  Ipswich 2 Brisbane nil, Ipswich 1 Brisbane 1, Ipswich 2 HMAS Mildura 1

Seniors: George H Gilson, Arthur Tedman, Arthur Wilson, William Dawes, William Potter, Alex Jeffrey, Alec Campbell, H Gilson, Thomas Young, James Jordan (1877-1961) James Tedman, William Potts, Arthur (Lick) Verrall, Thomas Tedman, Ernie Verrall

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President: William J Lynch
Club colours: Amber and black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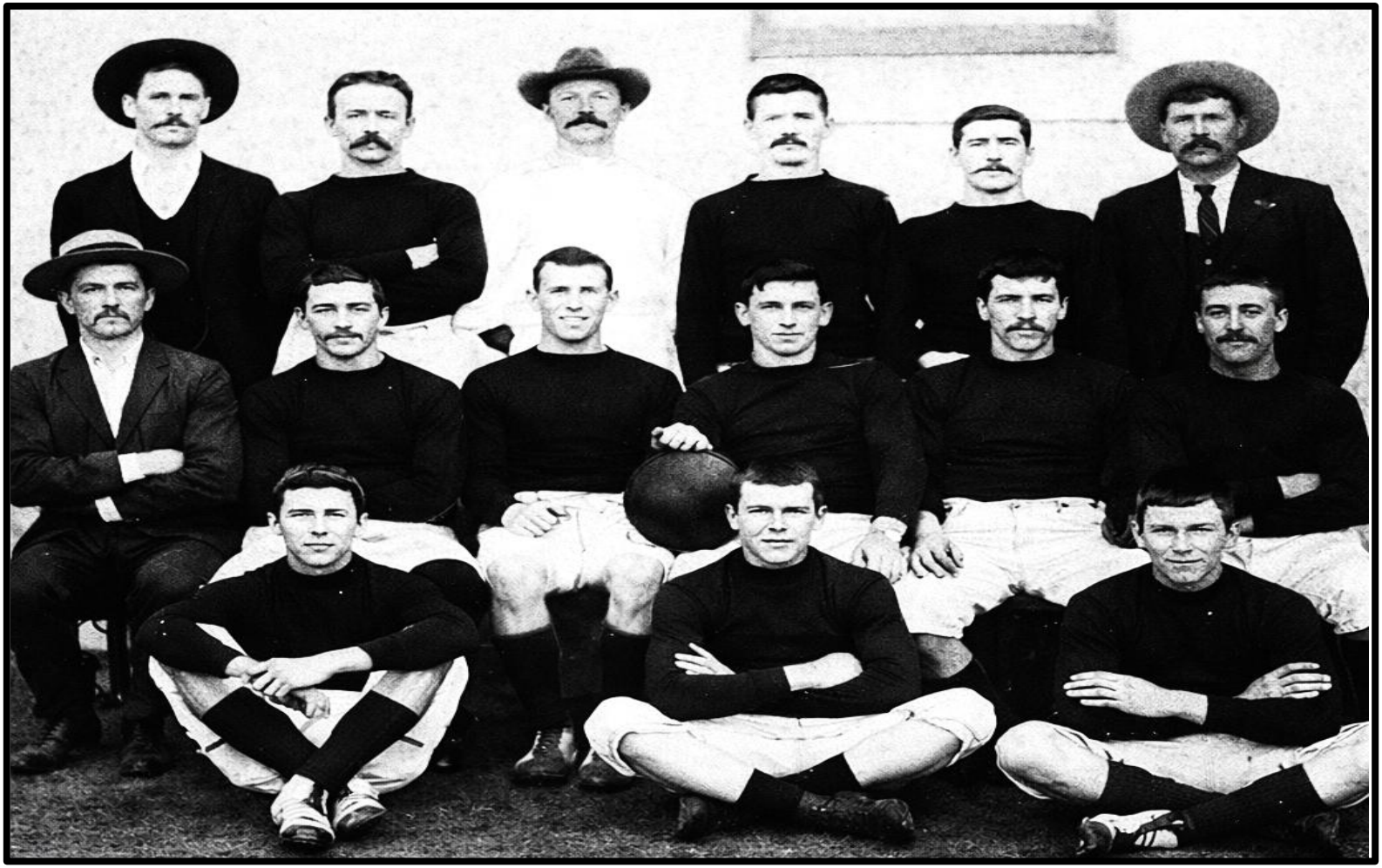
	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Reliance	7	7		1	14
2	Blackstone Rovers B	7	4	2	1	10
3	Bush Rats	7	4	1	2	9
4	Normans	7	3	2	2	8
5	Blackstone Rovers A	7	2	1	1	5
6	Milton	7	2		5	4
7	Markets	7	1	1	5	3
8	Rangers	7	1		6	2



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Dinmore Bushrats

Alec Campbell (Second row second on right) Thomas Young (Captain) (Second row third on left) William.Dawes
James Jordan (Front row first on left,H.Gilson (Back Row third from Left) Alex Jeffrey
William Potter Arthur Tedman, Thomas Tedman, Arthur(Lick)Verrall, Arthur Wilson (Back Row second from left)

Source:Trove Newspapers

Challenge Cup Final

Rovers won the title from Bush Rats after three draws and another match in which even then extra time had to be played. Rats and Rovers met at Blackstone and played a draw.The match was shifted to Bundamba Rangers' ground, and still the sides broke even. Down to Pineapple Rovers' pitch. and even again! The match was then taken to the 'Gabba, and in the extra time period Peter Taylor.

13th September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (54)*

Bush Rats 1 vs Blackstone Rovers B 3 (10th September)

The final match for the Challenge Cup was played on the Woolloongabba Cricket ground, South Brisbane, and resulted in a victory for the Blackstone Rovers by 3 goals to 1. A pipers' band was present during the afternoon, and at intervals played selections

The following are the names of the teams :

Rovers B - In goal, A. Harrison; backs - G. Law and W. L.Williams (captain) halfbacks – G. Jackson, T. Follett, and J. Gambling; forwards - G. Taylor, J. Williams,W. Wright, R. Tapp, andW. Halls.

Bush Rats - In goal, H. Gilson, fullbacks - A. Tedman and A.Wilson ; half-backs –W. Dawes, W. Potter, and A. Jeffrey; forwards- J. Jordan, A.Verrall, A. Campbell, T. Young and T. Tedman. Mr. J. Logan had charge of the whistle, and Messrs. G. Shelley and R. Alexander did duty on the lines.

The Rovers won the toss and kicked from the Stanley Street end. The ball had not been many minutes in play when G. Taylor kicked a beautiful goal for the Rovers, thus scoring first blood for Blackstone. Taylor was at the same time disabled by one of his own side. Both men saw a chance of getting a goal, and the two of them went for the ball - with the result that the second player kicked Taylor on the ankle and he had to be removed from the ground, the Rovers from that out being a man short in the field. Directly after this accident the Rovers again pressed the Rats right up to their goal-mouth, and in the midst of close and exciting work W.Wright kicked No. 2 goal for the Rovers. In play, again the Rats made several desperate attempts to equalise matters, but goalkeeper Harrison proved to be the right man in the right place.

Then the Rovers rushed the ball into the Rats' territory, where, after some attractive footwork by W. Wright, Hall received the leather, and he succeeded in potting No. 3 goal for the Rovers. From this until half-time the Rats played a rattling good game, several corners having been conceded them by the Rovers, but they had left their luck at Dinmore.

The play all round was first-class, and the individual expositions of several of the players called forth frequent applause. At half-time time the scores were - Rovers, 3 goals; Rats, nil. The second half was very stubbornly contested and A. Campbell, after some pretty play on the part of the Rats, got a chance, and he scored the No. 1 goal for the Dinmore representatives. For the remainder of the game, the Rats made repeated attempts to score but the Rovers' defence was too solid and when "time" was called the result was – Rovers - 3 goals: Rats - 1 goal. The Rovers B are to be complimented on their victory; as it is the first time a Blackstone team has won the Challenge Cup.

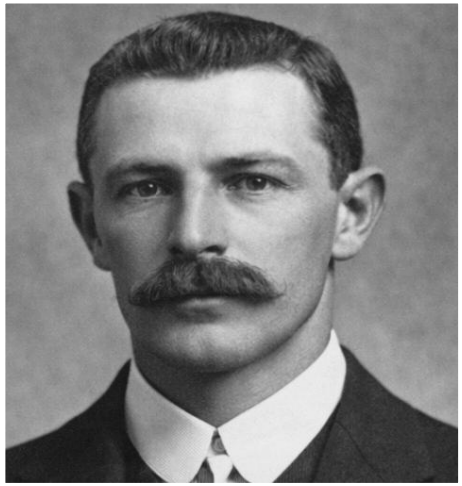
1905

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

- Dinmore Bush Rats shortened to Dinmore Football Club this year
- Dinmore Bush Rats revert to all white strip
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Premiers defeating Silkstone Montes 1 nil on the Reliance ground in front of 500 spectators
  Badges presented at a Meeting of the association in December

Seniors: Arthur (Lick) Verrall (Captain) William Lucas, James Campbell, William Dawes, Edward Hawkins, William Tait, Thomas Young Harry Brittain(1887-1926) Robert Jeffrey(1886-1934) Arthur Wilson, Arthur Tedman, George Tedman James Tedman, Martin Randolph John Jackson (1884-1959) Garnet Burns (1888-1965), Albert Jordan (1878-) Edward Hudson, Thomas Hudson, Victor Bognuda

Patron: Reverend A Horan
President: Donald. McInnes
Vice-President: Matthew Bognuda, H George
Secretary: Henry R Webb
Treasurer: James Jordan
Delegate: William Jordan



John Jackson

In Memoriam

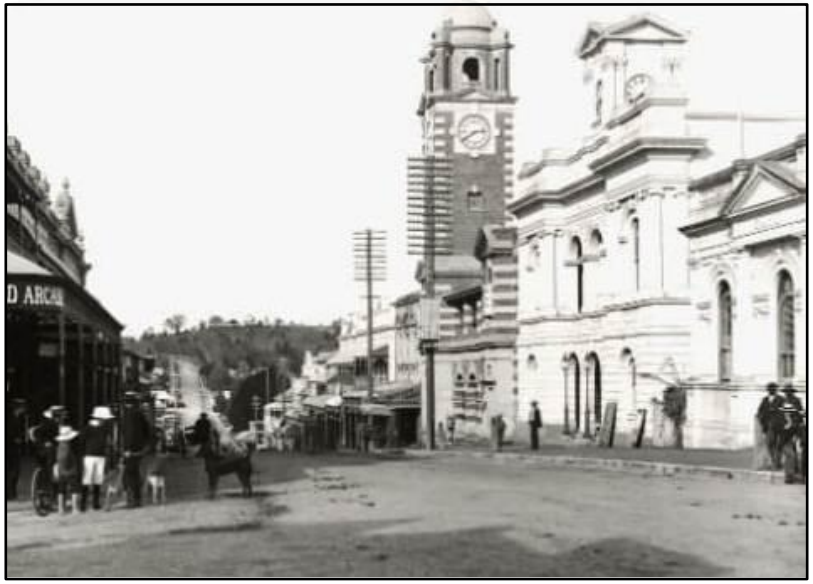
David Campbell (Born 1844) (See Slide)

Ipswich and West Moreton

9th September(Semi final)	Blackstone Rovers nil Montes 1	Bush Rats(won) Bundamba Rangers
*16TH September(Final)	Bush Rats 1 Silkstone Montes nil	

*Montes protested the result but withdrew the challenge

Place	Team	Points
1	Silkstone Montes	18
2	Blackstone Rovers	18
3	Bush Rats	17
4	Bundamba Rangers	17



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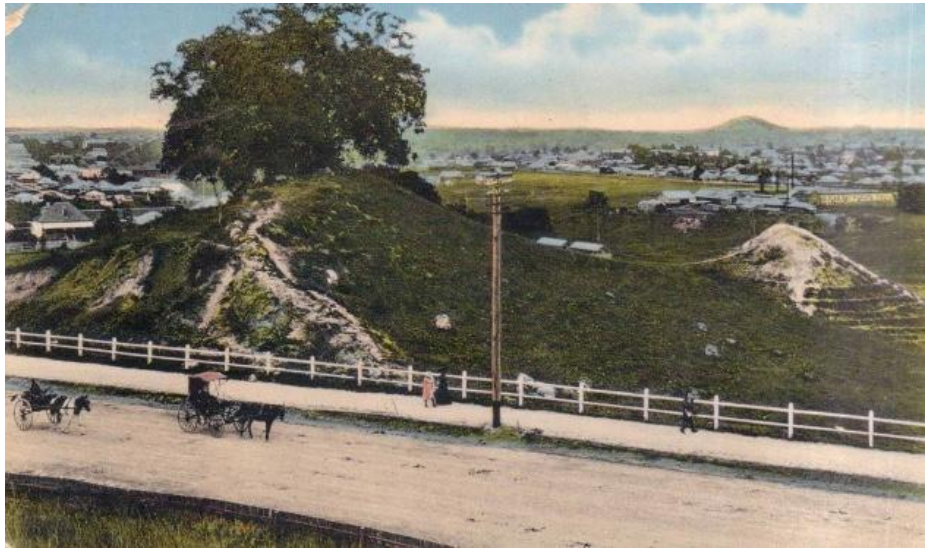

Photo Ipswich Historical Society

David Campbell (1844-1905)

David Campbell was born in Ireland
Lucy Wynn married John Shaw in 1864 and then David Campbell in 1871. John and Lucy's daughter Charlotte married Matthew Bailey who was involved in the formation of Dinmore Bush Rats
The Campbell's were members of the Pride of Dinmore a branch of the Protestant Alliance Friendly Society which had a large number of Dinmore Bush Rats players as members and officials
They raised funds to assist injured or sick workers and players
John and Lucy's Son John Thomas was in the first Dinmore Bush Rats team and won two premierships and was Chairman of Dinmore Bush Rats and his son David who married Lucy Kitching was a WW 2 veteran and manager of the 1938 Australian team.
David Michael was a member of the 1919 Dinmore Bush Rats Charity Shield winners and 1926 St Helens Austral Cup Winners. He was also a committee member and lifetime Member of Bundamba Rangers.
David Snr and Lucy's son Robert was in the first Bush Rats team and represented Ipswich and became Treasurer/Assistant Secretary of the Club. He won three Premierships
Son John's daughter Lucy Married James Burns who also played for Bush Rats
Son James won Premierships with Dinmore Bush Rats in 1903/1905/1906/1908/1909
Son Matthew was a member of 1910 Dinmore State School Premiers/Cup Winners and was in the 1925 St Helens team
John son Son Robert was in the 1920 Junior team and was in the 1922 Junior Minor Undefeated team

Charles Campbell was in the 1891 team. Alex won three Premierships
George Campbell was in the 1915 team an the 1920 Junior team
George's sons Ron and Kenneth, played in the 1941 Patriotic games and Ron the 1946 Bush Rats team
Hugh Campbell was a Committee member in 1896

David Junior's son Neil was in the 1954 Dinmore Bush Rats Premiership team and 1955 Tristram Shield team the 1957 Bundamba Rangers Premiership team and the Redbank Dinmore team that won promotion is 1963.
He also Represented Ipswich in 1961 Neil's grandson Dylan also played for Sunshine Coast

David	**(1844-1905)**
Lucy Wynn	**(1847-1936)**
Children	
Charlotte(Shaw)	(1865-1949)
John Campbell	(1867-1942)
Robert	(1871-1939)
David	(1878-1942)
James	(1881-1971)
Matthew	(1890-1980)
John Campbell	**(1867-1942)**
Margaret	**(1868-1954)**
Children	
Lucy	(1893-1982)
David	(1897-1969)
Robert	(1902-1988)
James	**(1881-1971)**
Children	
George	(1902-1989)
Ron	(1919-1966)
Kenneth	(1920-1983)
David	**(1897-1969)**
Children	
Neil	(1934-2000)
Hugh	(1865-1942)

John

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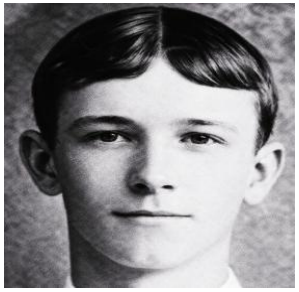
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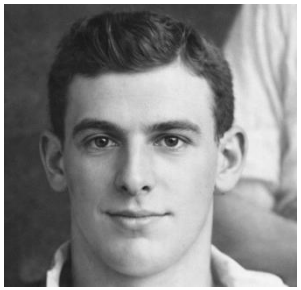
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Alex

Dylan

Alex Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats (1893,1897,1901,1902,1904)
Charles Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats (1891)
Dylan Campbell	Sunshine Coast
David Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats (1916,1919) St Helens(1925-1927)
George Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats(1914,1920) Dinmore Wanderers (1916)
James Campbell	Dinmore (1892) Dinmore Bush Rats(1903-1910)
James Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats (1920)
John Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats(1890-1893)
J Campbell	St Helens (1966)
Matthew Campbell	St Helens(1925-1928)
Morris Campbell	St Helens (1956-1960) Bundamba Rangers (1959,1961) St Helens (1963)
Neil Campbell	Bundamba Rangers(1953,1957) Dinmore Bush Rats (1954,1958) St Helens (1951-1952,1954,1956,1962) Blackstone Rovers (1961) Redbank Dinmore (1963-1964)
Robert Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats(1890-1895)
Robert Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats (1919,1921)
Robert Campbell	St Helens (1937)Redbank Dinmore (1940)
Ron Campbell	Dinmore Bush Rats (1946)
S Campbell	Redbank Dinmore (1947)
Thomas Campbell	Redbank Dinmore (1935)
T Campbell	St Helens (1946,1947,1949) Redbank Dinmore (1954)
Victor Campbell	St Helens (1937-1939,1943-1944) Redbank Seekers (1939-1941)

19th September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser* *(55)*

Challenge Cup Final (16th September)

Dinmore 1 vs Montes nil

The final match for the premiership under the auspices of theWest Moreton British Football Association took place, between the above-named teams, at Dinmore, on what is known as the Reliance ground.There was an attendance of over 500. spectators, including quite a large gathering 4 the gentler sex. Not fewer than four omnibuses were requisitioned to bring the visiting team of footballers and their friends from Blackstone and Silkstone, and more than the usual amount of interest was evinced in. the result of the afternoon's game, which terminated in favour of the Dinmoreites by a goal to nil. At times the excitement ran very high, and. at one period of the play, during the second half, what promised to be a somewhat disorderly scene was prevented by the prompt actions of Mounted-Constalt's M. Harvey (of Blackstone) andW E. Corney(of Ipswich), both of whom were present on duty. Blows were struck, and a large' crowd gathered round the parties who had come into conflict, but, as stated above, the "me in black" were quickly " to the front," and prevented any further fighting, and in this respect the thanks of the Dinmore community are due to the policemen named.The cause of the trouble was, it is alleged. a decision given by the referee (E Skellern), which was received with " boo-boos" by many of the spectators, it having been against the Montes.The following are the names of the respective teams

Dinmore A Goal,W. Lucas; backs, G.Tedman and A.Wilson; halfbacks, E. Hawkins,T. Hudson,V. Bognuda;forwards-J Tedman,M.Randolph.T.Young AVerrall (captain) and J Jackson

Montiies (Silkstone) In goal,W. Follett backs, C Marsh and .J Follett half-backs,W. Edward,W.Penman and E Follett; forwards--A. Shelton,T Morgan T Molloy,W Burren and J Molloy The referee was Mr. E. Skellern. and the linesmen were J Edward(Silkstone) and HVerrall(Dinmore)

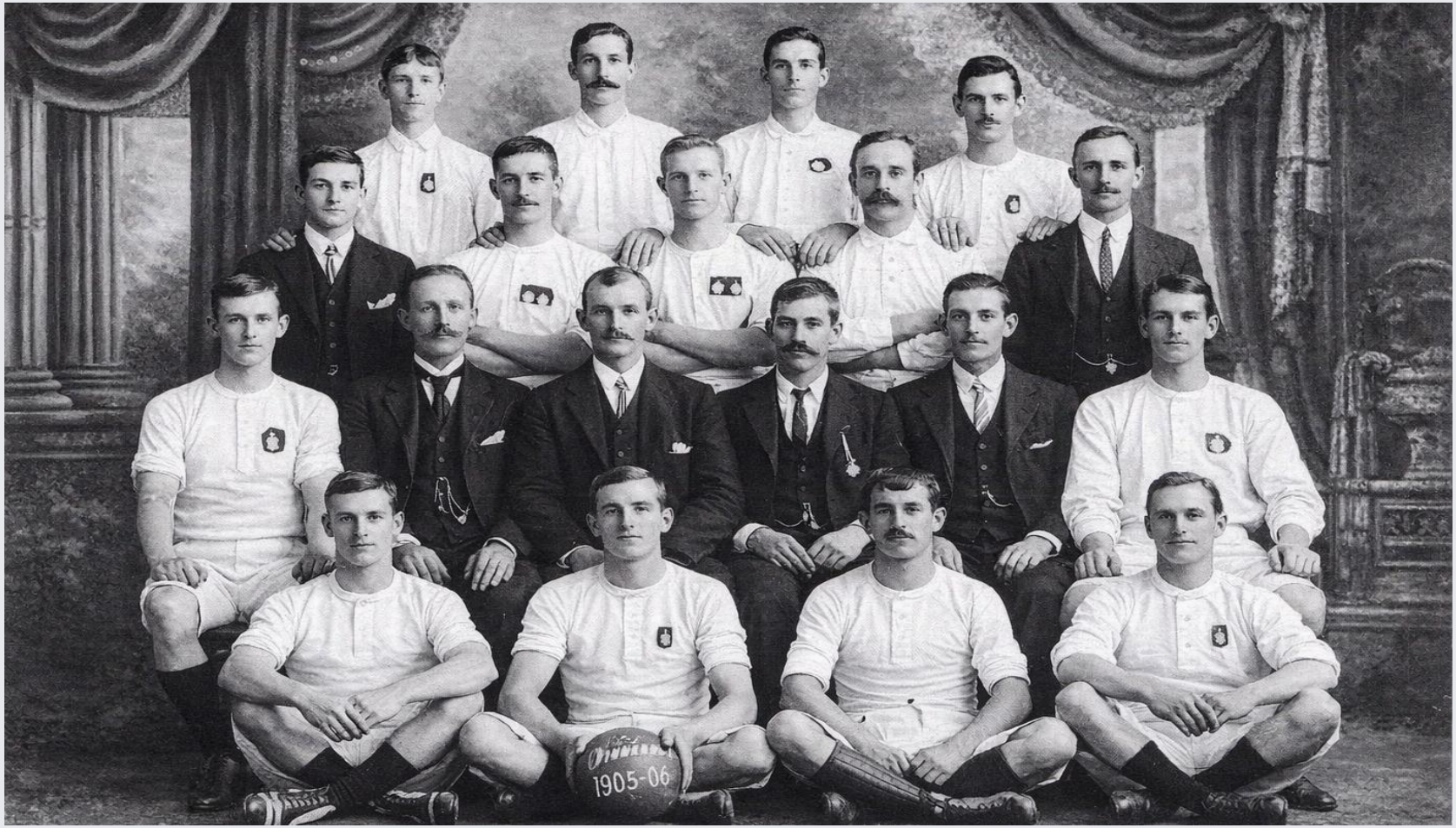
The Montcs, colours were black guernseys and white knickerbockers. while the Dinmoreite's were all white.

The Montes kicked uphill, and immediately the ball was put in motion the"barracking commenced"The first half was responsible for some excellent expositions of the British Rules but the wind spoilt splendid chances of scoring on both sides notwithstanding which however the determination of individual player on either sides eliceted frequent promise.

The Dinmorite's after a series of vigorous attacks on the Montes were successful in scoring" first blood," .T Tedman potting a beautiful goal-the only goal obtained during the afternoon.

Champions

-1905-
Dinmore Bush Rats
Premiers



Back Row (L-R):James Campbell, William Dawes,Henry Brittain,James Jordan (Treasurer)
Second Row: William Tait,Thomas Young,Robert Jeffrey,Arthur Wilson,William Jordan (Delegate)
Third Row:Arthur.Tedman, Matthew Bognuda (Vice-President) David McInnes (President) Henry R Webb (Secretary) H George (Vice-President) Arthur Verrall
Front Row:James Tedman,Garnet. Burns,Martin RandolphAlbert Jordan

1906

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

- Reliance F C fold and Dinmore Bush Rats move to the ground which is next to the Railway on the eastern end of Queen st The ground was owned by the Rumble family
- The Queensland times writes an article lamenting the reporting on the game given to the newspaper this year
- The Ipswieh and West.Moreton British Association season,was opened on the number one ground at the North Ipswich reserve, a practice having bcen arranged between sides Reds and Whites. Reds were composed mostly of the Blackstone Rovers
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Premiers
- Dinmore Bush Rats played HMS Prometheus and the HMAS Torch. They defeated the Torch 6-3 and Prometeus 4-1

Seniors: William Lucas, James Campbell, William Dawes, Harry Brittain, William Tait, Thomas Young, Robert Jeffrey, Arthur Wilson Arthur Tedman, Ernie Verrall, James Tedman, Garnet Burns, Martin Randolph, James Jordan, Albert Jordan, Edward Hawkins Thomas Hudson, Victor Bognuda, John Jackson, Herb Verrall

Patron: Reverend A Horan
Secretary: H R Webb

HMS *Prometheus* was a Pelorus class protected cruiser of the Royal Navy

25th August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (56)*

The "British navy" (as represented by the footballers from the Prometheus) suffered a reverse, last Saturday, at Dinmore, at the hands of the Dinmoreites, at the British Association game of football. But the Dinoreites had not been in possession of the laurels thus gained many days when the "handy men" of the H.M.S. Torch expressed a desire to uphold the honour of the navy, and the match will eventuate this afternoon on the Reliance ground, Dinmore, when a first-class exposition is anticipated.

28th August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser* (57)

Dinmore 6 vs HMS Torch 3

The Dinmore "soccer", footballers are naturally very jubilant at having counted for two sections of the "British Navy" (as represented by the HMS Prometheus and Torch) in succession, the Prometheus having been vanquished by 4 goals to 1, while the Torch representatives were defeated by 6 goals to 3. The Torch team arrived at Dinmore by the 3.30p.m. train, and no time was lost in getting to the Reliance convincing ground, where there was a fairly large crowd of spectators awaiting their arrival. Among the "Jacktars" was a former Dinmore lad - one H. Younger (better known by his stepfather's name, Gilson), who shipped on board the training ship H.M.S. Mildura, some two years or so ago, and he has since developed into a hardy son of Neptune. All were evidently pleased to see him again. The following are the names of the teams:

HMS Torch – In goal - J Howe; backs - C Allen (captain) and H.Younger; half-backs - J. Fulton, A Govan, and W. Phillips; forwards - J. McAllister, E. Jackson, S. Dowson, J. M'Ginn and R. Herbert

Dinmore - In goal - E.Verrall (captain); backs - A. Tedman, and T.Young; half-backs - H. Brittain, V. Bognuda, and R. Jeffrey; forwards – M. Randolph, J. Jordan, H.Verrall, G. Burns and J, Tedman. Referee - Mr.W. McCrea; linesmen Messrs F. Murphy and H. R. Webb.

It may be here stated that the services of A. Govern and J. McAllister, of the Wellington Club (Brisbane), were enlisted, owing to a difficulty experienced by the Torch men in getting a full team to visit Dinmore. Both substitutes gave first-class expositions of the "soccer" game, especially Govern, who proved to be a very tricky centre player. From the kick-of give-and take play ensued for a time, during which were several neat and stirring bouts between both sides, Govern giving an early exhibition of his ability as a centre halfback. Then the Dinmoreites got an opening on their left wing, and worked the sphere well down towards the headquarters of the "British Navy" but the "coxewain of the life-boat crew (J. Howe) was at home, and returned the ball in regular John Bull style. Nevertheless the Dinmoreite's had the leather again travelling in HMS Torch's territory, when G. Burns made a long shot from the right wing for goal, the sphere just going over the bar. "Lower gun-sight, lad!" yelled one of the naval men, amidst hearty laughter. The ball set in motion again, the "Navy" set sail for the capital of Dinmore, and were steadily advancing by a pretty series of combination work towards the goal, when the Dinmoreite's rallied and met the attack in grand style, H.Verrall (in the centre) doing yeoman work The ball was returned towards the naval centre, and after some very exciting encounters, in which Jordan and Randolph were performing splendidly and getting on a magnificent forward movement first blood was ultimately drawn by Garnet Burns, who succeeded in registering a beautiful goal. In play again the ball was soon travelling in naval territory, and, despite the excellent work of Captain C. Allan, Futon, Govern and McAllister, the Dinmoreites again advanced strongly with the result that T. Tedman potted goal No. 2 against the "Handy men of the British Navy

"The sphere in motion again, the naval representatives made things warm for a while, and the scene of battling was "all over the ship" as it were, Govern, Dowson, Fulton, Younger, McGinn, McAllister and Allen being' very prominent in the fighting line. Success at last rewarded the efforts of the merry sons of Neptune, M'Allister scoring a neat goal just before the half-time whistle sounded The scores were-Dinmore, 2 goals; Torch, 1 goal. On the resumption of the game the Dinmoreites attacked the Torch's citadel in a most stubborn manner, and some interesting play a corner resulted in favour of Dinmore. J. Jordan was entrusted with the kick, and with a beautiful shot, he secured No. 3 goal to the credit of Dinmore. ***(see over)***

From this out for a time the local players kept the ball continually in their opponents' territory, and J. Tedman, who was in fine form, quickly registered two other goals. This was followed by some give-and-take play, during which the naval men rallied somewhat, but in the midst of splendid work in the vicinity of the Torch's goal G. Burns broke away and potted No. 6 goal for Dinmore."Now boys, brighten up," yelled the skipper, and with a stirring piece of foot-work on the part of Govern the scene of battling was transferred to Dinmore territory. Here Fulton also did some grand dribbling, and altogether, "navy" executed a grand frontal attack, resulting in Fulton potting a beautiful goal No. 2 for HMS Torch. The "blood of the British Navy was now rix," and they often fiercely attacked the head-quarters of Dinmore, only to be finely repulsed by Captain Verrall in goal; but quickly returning to the attack sailor J. McGinn potted No. 3 goal amidst great cheering. The full-time whistle was sounded shortly after this, when the final scores were: Dinmore, 6 goals; Torch, 3 goals. The visiting team was entertained in the evening to a first-class dinner prepared by Mr. C. McCosh, who spared no pains to make both guests and hosts "feel at home. Mr. E. Skellern occupied the chair, and at the sound of his whistle all promptly got "on side", and a vigorous struggle prevailed until he again sounded "off-side", the naval representatives thoroughly enjoying this encounter. The toast of "The King" having been honoured, the Chairman proposed the toast of "The Visiting Team". He said that they were exceedingly pleased to have the representatives of HMS Torch among them that evening and that he hoped that they would enjoy their visit to Dinmore. That evening's function reminded him of the "good old times" of a few years ago, when they entertained teams from Brisbane, only a short distance from where they were that night. The toast was then drunk with musical honours. In the absence of the captain of the Torch's team, (Mr. C. Allen who had to leave by an early train on urgent business) Mr J. McAllister was deputed to reply. In thanking the Dinmorites for their hearty and splendid reception, he said that he hoped that the match played that afternoon was simply the beginning of similar meetings between the clubs of Brisbane and West Moreton, as such contests assisted towards the advance of association football in Queensland.

He then proposed a toast "The Dinmore Club", which was briefly acknowledged by captain E. Verrall. That of the referee was the next toast proposed, and Mr. W. McCrae responded in suitable terms. This was followed by the toast of "The Press", proposed by Mr. H. R. Webb and responded to by the representatives of "The Queensland Times". The health of the caterer was then drunk and Mr Cosh replied, thanking them for the kind allusions made to his efforts. He was only too pleased to do his best. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" terminated an excellent evening's reunion, during which songs were sung by Messrs. E. Skellern, E. Dowson (two), W. McCrea, J. McAllister and J. Howe (two), the last-named rendering "I'm coxswain of the lifeboat crew" in a manner that quite enraptured the listeners.

HMS *Torch* was an Alert class sloop of the Royal launched in 1894 . She served in Australia and New Zealand

1907

Dinmore Bush Rats

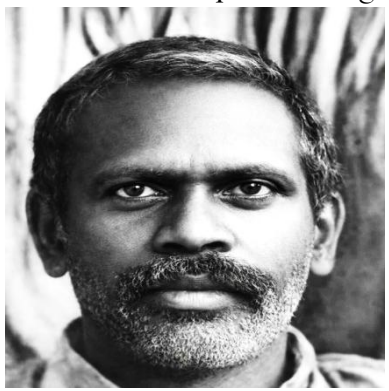
Champions

- Dinmore Bush Rats defeat Bundamba Rangers 1-nil to win the Brisbane Challenge Cup.
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Haskings Silver Badges played for between Ipswich teams competing in the Brisbane Competition defeating Blackstone Rovers 1-nil at Stafford Padock opposite the Racecourse

The Badges presented by William Haskings Proprietor of the Racehorse Hotel.Matches are played in Stafford Park opposite the hotel

Seniors: William Lucas,James Campbell,William Dawes,Harry Brittain,William Tait,Thomas Young,Robert Jeffrey,Arthur Wilson Arthur Tedman,Ernie Verrall,James Tedman,Garnet Burns,Edward Hudson,Martin Randolph,James Jordan, J Smith, Albert Jordan Edward Hawkins,Thomas Hudson,Victor Bognuda,John Jackson,Herb Verrall,Arthur Verrall,William Thompson,George Humphrey Henry Randolph(1886-1967) *Jackie (Quilp) Lynch(1870-1930)

*Jacky(Quilp) Lynch is possibly the first Aboriginal player in Australia



Jacky(Quilp)Lynch

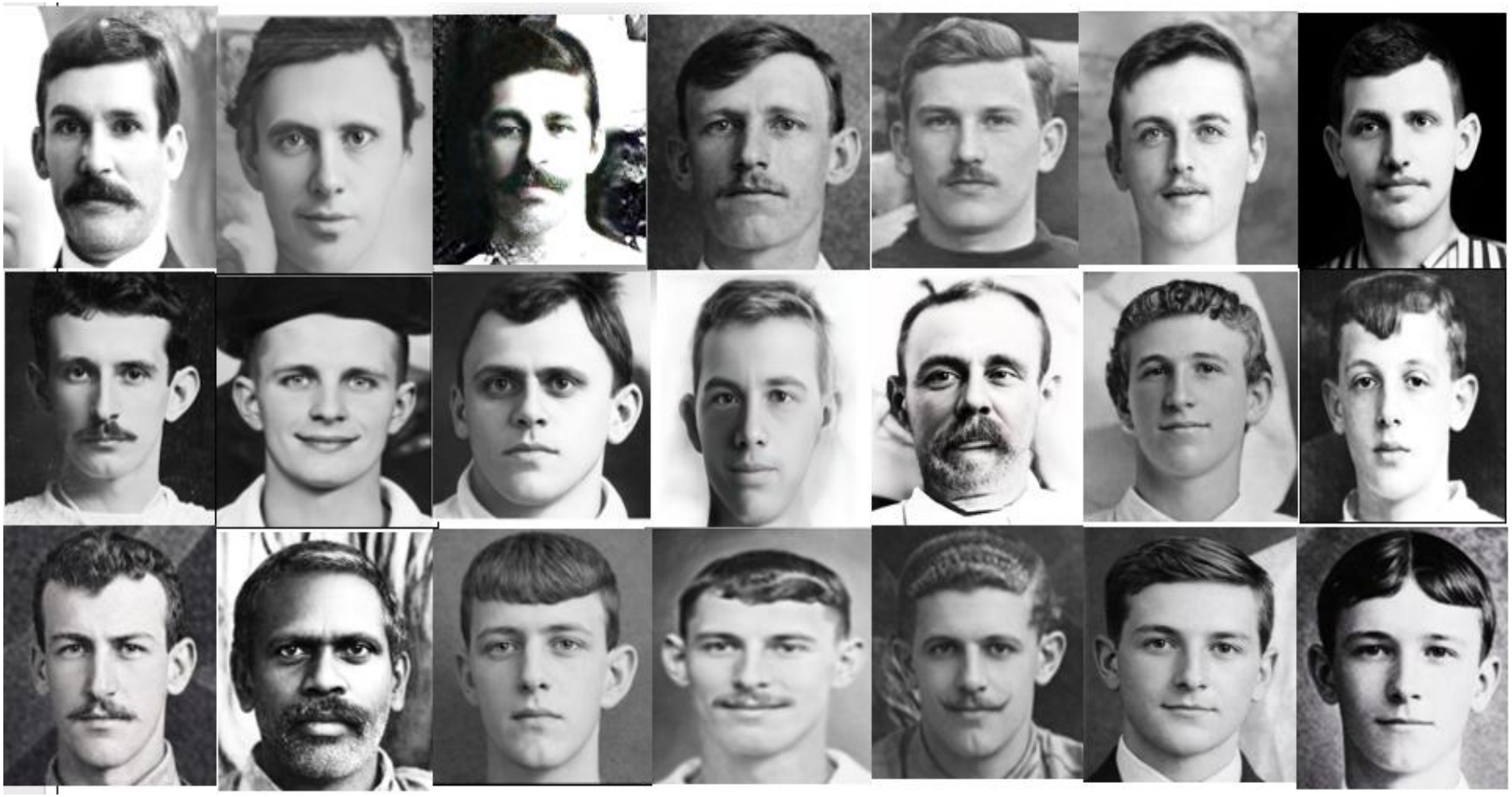
Patron: Reverend A Horan

President; Matthew Bailey

Queensland Times report 28th January 1929 (58)

Jacky(Quilp)Lynch

Jacky Lynch is the well-known aboriginal who lived at Dinmore many years ago under the name of Quilp (writes our Bundamba correspondent). Quilp was at one time a keen footballer, and I think he played in some of the minor football matches with the Dinmore Bush Rats Club Quilp was formerly employed by the late Mr. Asburn, a well-known butcher of Ipswich, and whose home was at Riverview, where the Salvation Army Boys' Training Farm is now situated. Quilp was brought down from out West when a little boy by the late Mr. Asburn and lived for many years with him. After Mr. Asburn's death and the removal of the Asburn family from Riverview, Quilp went to live at Dinmore and worked at various callings in the district for a number of years. Finally, some years ago, the police, acting under instructions from the Home Secretary's Department removed Quilp to the aboriginal settlement at Barambah. About eight or 15 years ago Qulip went to Tweed Heads. and he still lives at the blacks settlement on the Tweed River. Only last Christmas holidays the writer was talking with Jacky Lynch in the main street at Tweed Heads and called him by his old name, "Quilp," and he entered into earnest conversation about old residents of the Dinmore and Bundanba district



-1907-

Dinmore Bush Rats

Premiers

William Dawes, James Jordan, Thomas Young (Captain) Arthur Tedman, James Tedman, Harry Brittain, Edward Hawkins
Arthur Verrall, Albert Jordan, Robert Jeffrey, Arthur Wilson, Garnet Burns, Martin Randolph
William Lucas, Jackie (Quilp) Lynch, George Humphreys, Herb Verrall, Henry Randolph, William Tait, James Campbell
Others: Thomas Hudson, John Jackson, Victor Bognuda, J Smith, William Thompson

29th October *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (59)*

Premiership final match

Dinmore Bush Rats 2 vs Blackstone Rovers 1 (26th October)

The final match in the Wcst Moreton British Football Association medal competition was decided in Staffords paddock, opposite the Racehorse Hotel, at Bundanba. There was a large attendance of spectators, who took a very keen interest in the contest.

The ground was not above reproach, but it could not be expected to be at its best after the dry spell experience of late. A cool north-easterly wind, which blew throughout the afternoon was not conducive to accurate kicking. After a close and exciting game the the Rats won by 2 goals to 1.

The personnel of the opposing teams as follows

:Bush Rats: Goal, E Verrall backs A. Wilson and A. Tedman half-backs, A. Jordan, H. Brittain and W. Dawes; forwards, J. Tedman, G. Burns, T. Young (centre). J. lordan and A. Verrall.

Rovers: Goal, W. Follett; backs, G Law and W W.illiams; half-backs, A. Perry, R Jones and F. Evans : forwards, W. Halls,, D Halls, J. Follet (centre) G Jackson and A. Shelton. The referee -Rats Mr. A. Perrett and the linesmen Messrs. A Phebey and J Kitchen, and they discharged their duties with commendable impartiality.

With the wind in their favour the Rats pressed home a strong attack in the first half, and succeeded in scoring two goals. The game was not by any means one-sided though, the teams appearing to be evenly matched. From end to end the ball travelled and on several occasions the Rovers looked dangerous, but their efforts were foiled with a lusty kick well accorded by the breeze. The first items of interest in the game were a couple of corner kicks in the interests of the Rats but they were ineffective Then the Rovers attacked and narrowly escaped scoring A pretty piece of passing from D. Halls to his brother saw the sphere lifted over the goal . Give and take play ensued . Then the Rats attacked and the Rovers had to have a couple of goal kicks. Some neat passing on behalf of the Rats saw the leather sent out to A Verrall who shot hard. The direction was faulty but one of the Rovers in interpreting failed to stop its way and so altered its that it went through the goal . The Rats supporters were delighted. Some hard and interesting play followed. Then came an exciting rally on the eastern wing from which Verrall was afforded another opening which he was not slow to take advantage placing the second goal to the Rats credit. At half time the scores were Rats. 2 goals Rovers nil. The Rovers were on their mettle in the second half and the Rats were just as determined to keep the out of the goal. Give and take play was followed by a Rover attack which the goalkeeper cleverly staved off . The the Rats came away down the field and now the wind was in their favour to clear their lines and they took full advantage was taken of it. Another Rover charge was foiled by the goalkeeper running out with the ball. Next came an exciting incident. The ball was sent to the Rats goalkeeper again and as he wont to throw out he was tackled by the Rovers and the boll appeared to go through. It however, came out again, and then appeared to be kicked through, though from the side-lines it was quite impossible to see with certainty The referee awarded "no goal," and the game was resumed In the course of further attack J. Follett succeeded in kicking a goal for the Rovers. but the Rats foiled any further efforts at scoring, and won by 2 goals to 1. Both sides strove very hard to gain a victory. Perhaps the most brilliant players on the field were A Verrall for the Rats and " Guinea" Halls for the Rovers.

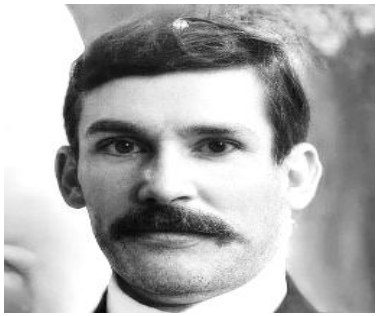
1908

Dinmore Bush Rats
Champions
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)

- Football boots cost 4 shillings for Rubber and 5 shillings for leather
- Dinmore Bush Rats the Haskinga Silver Badges (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Bundanba Rangers 1)
  Dinmore Bush Rats travelled to Brisbane to play the Metroploitan team drawing 1-1.George Shelley was the referee
  Dinmore Bush Rats travelled to Toowoomba to play Cities winning 3-1
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Junior Premiers
- Ipswich Seniors: James Jordan,Garnet Burns

Seniors: Thomas Young(Captain) William Jordan, Arthur Tedman, Albert Jordan, Arthur (Lick) Verrall, James Jordan. James Tedman Garnet Burns,Robert Jeffrey William Dawes,Ernie Verrall,Arthur Wilson,Harry Brittain,James Campbell,Jackie Lynch,John Byrne

President: Matthew Bailey
Vice Presidents: Matthew Bognuda,F McKenna
Donald McInnes,William Renolyds,*David Gledson
Secretary: William Jordan
Treasurer: William Dawes(1859-1953)
Delegate: Garnet Burns
Patron: John Stafford


William Dawes

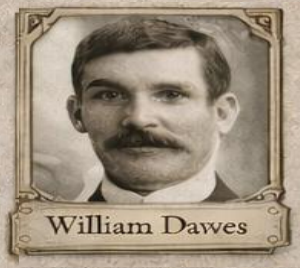
Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Bush Rats	5	3	1	1	7
2	Blackstone Rovers	5	3	1	1	7
3	Bundamba Rangers	4	1		4	2
4	Silkstone Montes (withdrew)	2		1	1	2

In Memoriam

Edwin Morgan (Born 1864) former President of the IWMFA

1908

Champions
Ipswich and
Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association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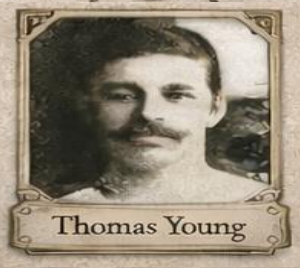
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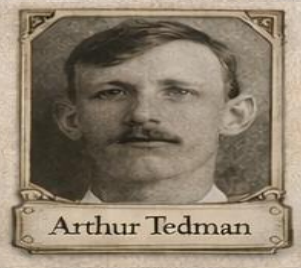
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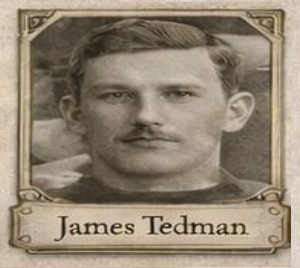
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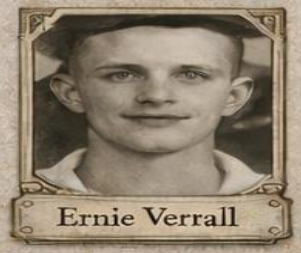
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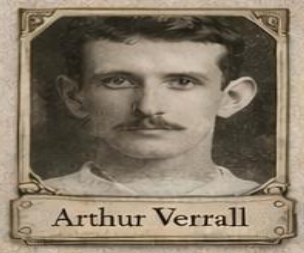
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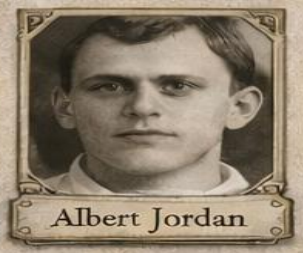
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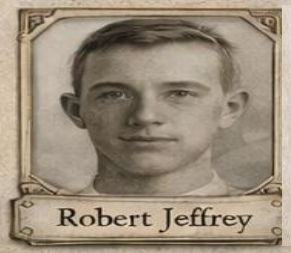
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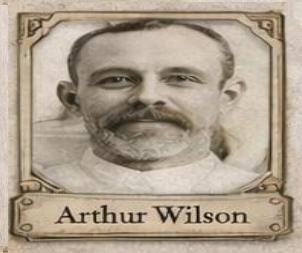
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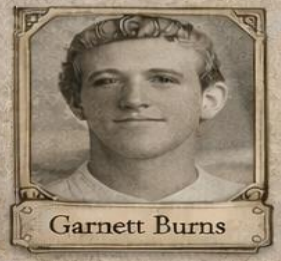
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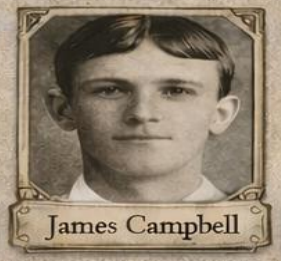
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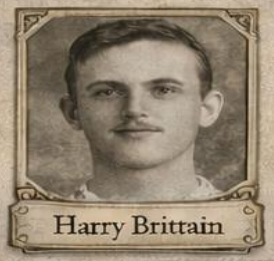
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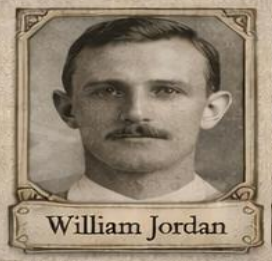
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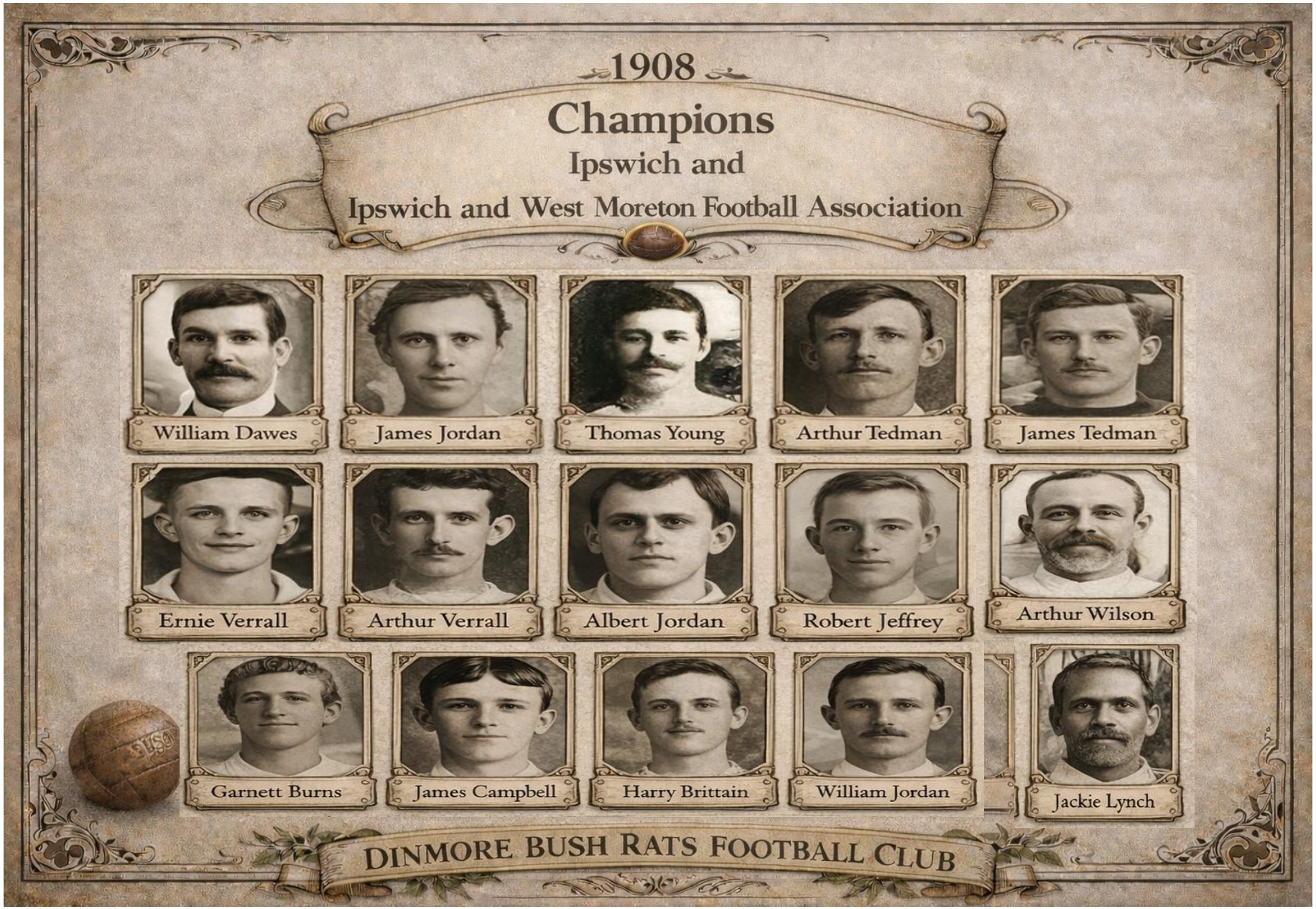
DINMORE BUSH RATS FOOTBALL CLUB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Champions
Ipswich and
Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association
William Dawes
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DINMORE BUSH RATS FOOTBALL CLUB

25th August *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (60)*
Bush Rats 1 vs Combined Brisbane 1 (22nd August)

This match was played on the Pineapple ground, Kangaroo Point, South Brisbane, and was witnessed by a fairly large attendance. The Bush Rats did not have their strongest team, several juniors and the ebony "Quilp" filling the vacancies. The contest was a friendly one, engaged in with the view of giving a stimulus to the "soccer" game in the metropolitan area, where, during the last couple of seasons, it has gone back considerably. Mr. George Shelley, one of the veteran past masters of British Association rules in Brisbane, handled the whistle, and gave every satisfaction in his decisions. The match was keenly and evenly contested all through, each side scoring a goal, and the result was a drawn game. J Tedman scored for T' Rats, and Lack for Brisbane. In the evening the Dinmore visitors were entertained at a dinner.

1st September *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (61)*
Premiership Final (29th August)
Bush Rats 3 Bundamba Rangers 1

A large number of spectators witnessed the match between the Rangers and Rats for the premiership of the West Moreton British Football Association The contest took place at Blackstone and considerable excitement provided. Both teams played with remarkable dash, the ball travelling up and down the field with great rapidity. the result was a win for the Rats by 3 goals to 1: Goals were kicked for the Rats by J Byrne, J Tedman and Jeffrey while a clever. goal was 'potted" tor the Rangers by I Kennedy.

During the season the senior team played five games in the fixtures, winning three, losing one and drawing one thus winning the premiership. The Junior team played seven games, winning four, losing one, and drawing two they also winning the premiership. The junior minor team withdrew from the competition, after Playing in three matches winning one losing one, and drawing one. The Seniors, in the course of the season journeyed to Toowoomba, beating the City's of that place by three goals to one . They also went to. Brisbane, and played a drawn game with combined Brisbane players. The juniors journeyed to Rosewood, and beat the local team by three goals to nil and also defeated the Rosebells bv four goals to one During the season the senior team scored 13 goals and eight were recorded against them. The junior team scored 22 goals and 10 against.

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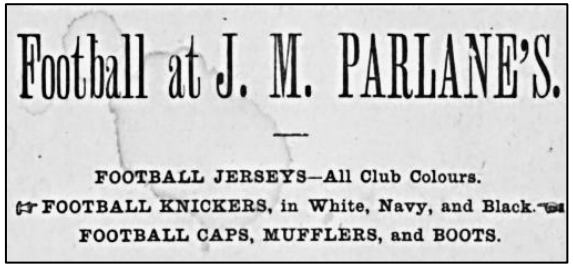
Blackstone Rovers
Champions
(Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association)
Dinmore Bush Rats Charity Cup Winners

- Walter Cantle Licensee of the Racehorse Hotel elected President of the Association
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Charity Cup and Blackstone Rovers the Ipswich Challenge Cup
- The Brisbane Charity Cup goes on display at John Parlane's Mens Outfitters in Brisbane Street
- Ipswich Seniors: Robert Tapp, George Bullock, Garnet Burns

The Ipswich team travelled to Toowoomba and won 4-1 winning the " Mud Ashes"

Seniors: Thomas Young (Captain) Albert Shearer, Arthur Tedman, William Rolls, Ernest Dawes (Died 1951) George Jones, Harry Brittain James Campbell, Norman Randolph(1889-1973) Garnet Burns, Arthur Wilson, James Tedman, Albert Jordan, James Jordan

Junior: Dan Potts, Alfred Nunn


Football at J. M. PARLANE'S.

FOOTBALL JERSEYS—All Club Colours.
FOOTBALL KNICKERS, in White, Navy, and Black.
FOOTBALL CAPS, MUFFLERS, and BOOTS.

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Blackstone Rovers	6	5		1	10
2	Bush Rats	6	3	1	2	9
3	Bundamba Rangers	6	3	1	2	9
4	Reliance	4	1		3	2
5	Railways	6	1		5	2

Patron: John Stafford
President: Matthew Bailey
Vice Presidents: Matthew Bognuda, F McKenna, Donald McInnes, Willam Renoylds, David Gledson
Secretary: William Jordan
Treaurer: William Dawes
Delegate: Fred Hudson
Selector: John Potts

13th February *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (62)*

Presentation of Medals

Followers. of the British Association game of football are, no doubt, aware of the splendid successes which have featured the career of the Dinmore Bush Rats' Football Club. Last year, it will be remembered, the club appropriated the premiership honours in both the senior and junior grades of the association fixtures, and, in order to mark such a magnificent performance, a smoko concert was held under the auspices of the club, in the Alliance Hall, Dinmore, last night. The proceedings, which were characterised by much sociability, were of a particularly enjoyable nature, a circumstance which reflected considerable credit on the committee, consisting of Messrs W. Jordan (secretary), W. Dawes (treasurer), J. Smith, G. Burns, and J. Smith. jun. Apologies for un-avoidable absence were received from Messrs. John Stafford, M. Bailey, and T. J. Barker. In the course of the evening, Cr. M. Bognuda distributed the premiership medals to the members of the successful teams. The medals were of silver, and were of a decidedly artistic design. The remainder of the evening was spent in games, &c., while an appreciated musical programme was also submitted. A short toast-list was submitted, after which the gathering terminated. Special shipment of our celebrated hosiery just to hand Cribband Foote.

8th April *Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (63)*

Annual meeting

The annual meeting of the Bush Rats' Football Club (British Association rules) ?as recently held in the Alliance Hall, Dinmore, there being a very fair attendance of members. Mr. W. Dawes presided. The secretary :(Mr. W. Jordan) read the annual report, which was received as being satisfactory.. The total income for the year was £15 1 shilling6 Pence, and the expenses £10 6 pence leaving a credit balance of £4 11s to start the season with

The following officials were elected :-Patron, Mr. J. Stafford, President Mr M Bailey Vice Presidents M Bognuda F. .H'Kenna, D. McInness, W. P. Reynolds, and D, Gledson.; secretary, Mr. W. Jordan (re-elected) ; treasurer, Mr W. Dawes (re-elected); delegate, G. Burns.

The election of general and selection committees was deferred till some future date. It was decided that the club's colours should be all white. The secretary was instructed to write to .Toowoomba to try to arrange a match with a team in that city. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

30th August *Queensland Times*

Charity Cup Final

Bush Rats 3 vs Eskgroves 2 (28th August)

The final in the Charity Cup competitions took place at the Pineapple Sports Ground, Kangaroo Point. The contestants were the Eskgroves' (Brisbane) and the Bush Rats(Dinmore)

The teams were: Eskgroves: - A. Hauck, Biddington, T. Hauck, Colquhoun, Lyle, Wilson, Govan, Kennedy, , Norris, Galdwin, and Gunn

Bush Rats - Rolls, Wilson, A. Tedman , Jordan, Brittain, Davies, Young, Jordan, J. Tedman. Burns, and Jones. Referee: Mr J Jack.

Norris kicked off for the Groves and the opening play favoured the Rats, who were helped considerably by the breeze that was blowing towards the Grove's goal. Play was for a time confined to the outfield, relieved by an occasional burst by Young, Jordan and J Tedman to their opponents goal but the steady' play of Biddington and "T Hauck averted danger. A pretty passage between Wilson and Burns followed, only to be checkmated by Biddington. A long kick by Lyle transferred play, and for a while Govan, Norris, and Gunn attacked Rolls but evidently A Tedman relieved his lines, and sent across a pass to Brittain, who passed to A Jordan, over to Burns ,who flashed a quick, shot at goal, the ball just gracing the upright A splendid run by Kennedy and Norris was interpreted by Wilson, but the ball was well returned by Lyle to Galdwin, who, slipping the sphere nicely over to Norris, and the latter quickly passed out to Kennedy, who, outwitting the Rats' defence, notched first point for the Groves. Play for a period was very even until the Rats, putting more sting into their pIay, rushed the defence, and J Tedman tried for goal with a swift shot, A Hauck making a brilliant save. Several raids were made by the Rats' forwards, but try as they might, they could not break down the defence of Biddington and Hauck, who were most reliable in their rebutting work. The Rats never relaxed their efforts, however, and were ultimately rewarded, the ball being centred beautifully by Jordan to J. Tedman, who, with a beautiful shot, beat Hauck. The Rats continued the aggressors, and Jones, gaining possession, made headway, and when tackled by Lyle deftly passed to J. Tedman, who smartly registered the Rats' second goal. Half-time scores: Rats, 2 goals; Groves, 1 goal. Resuming, the Groves were the likeliest in the initial stages and Govan, Gladwin and Gunn pressed home an attack, the finishing shot going past . There was a piece of pretty play by Colquhoun, who centred beautifully to Galswin, and the latter shot smartly beating Rolls . The Groves' forwards, who were playing with a better combination than in the first half, kept Daws and Wilson busy, and continued to have the best of the game, due to the splendid feeding of their half backs, and a well timed pass from Norris to Kennedy was neutralised by Wilson, who relieved the pressure, and Young and Jordan cleverly took the ball along until well stopped by T. Hauck. For a time after the Rats attacked, but Biddington relieved, and allowed Norris to carry the game back to the Rats' territory, the resultant play being valueless. The immediately succeeding passages saw some pretty football by Young, Jordan, and Jones, the latter passing over to Burns, who making no mistake scored. Vigorous play by the Groves followed, and a pretty dribbling run by Govan and Norris culminated in the former shooting just a little too high. 'Groves were still having the best of it, but their shooting was inclined to be faulty, and on several occasions they missed likely chances. The excitement at this period was very keen, both goals being visited in turn, and only the masterly saving of the two custodians saved any further scoring. Open play followed, until Wilson got the ball, and sent it to Govan, who in turn passed to Norris, who missed the goal by a few inches. From this point onward the game was most evenly contested, the result being at full time -Bush Rats, 3 goals ; Eskgroves, 2 goals.- "Observer."

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Dinmore Bush Rats Football Club

Winners Brisbane Charity Cup

Back row(L-R) Arthur Shearer,Arthur Tedman,William Rolls,Ernest Dawes,Norman Randolph
Third row: Jack Potts (Selector) Garnet Burns,Fred Hudson (Delegate) Arthur Wilson,William Dawes (Treasurer)
Second row: David Gledson (Vice-president) Thomas Young (Captain) Matthew Bailey (President)
John Stafford (Patron) James Tedman,William Jordan (Secretary)
Front row: Albert Jordan,James Jordan,G Jones,James Campbell

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Dinmore Bush Rats

Champions /Charity and Hodgson Cup Winners

- Dinmore Bush Rats win all five Trophies Challenge/Charity Cup,Ipswich and West Moreton Cup ,Hodgson Cup,Junior Challenge Cup
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Challenge and Charity Cup and Ipswich Hodgson Cup
  Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Bulimba Rangers 1) Charity Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 1 Wellington nil)
- Edward Hawkins and Arthur Wilson win their ninth Premiership
  This is a record.They won Premierships in 1898,1899,1900,1901,1902,1903,1905,1906,1907,1908,1910
  Dinmore Bush Rats win the Brisbane Junior Challenge Cup

Seniors:Thomas Young (Captain) Garnet Burns (Vice Captain) George Law,Arthur Tedman, Harry Brittain William Halls
Edward Hawkins,William Rolls,James Campbell,Albert Jordan, Arthur. Wilson,Arthur Verrall,James Jordan,James Tedman Robert Jeffrey
Junior: Ernest Dawes(Captain) George Jones (Vice Captain) William Thompson,Frederick Thompson,Sidney Tedman
James Burns,Robert Tapp,Alfred Nunn, Norman Randolph,Henry Randolph,Thomas McMullen,William Lucas
Thomas Livermore,Walter Pioch (1892-1924) George Humphrey,Dan Potts,*George Skellern, Jackie (Quilp) Lynch
William Tait,C. Wilson, David Peck,John Potts,Robert Tait, Walter Verrall,M Campbell,Frederick Tedman,Joseph Webb
*George Skellern is a future President and Secretary

Juniors:Premiers Matches played 13(11 won, 1 lost, 1 drawn: goals scored 62 against 12
Juniors B:Premiers Matches played 12(9 won, 2 lost, 1 drawn: goals scored 32 against 13
Patron: John Stafford
President: Matthew Bailey
Vice President: Alec Stewart,H Hainsworth,James Tedman,C H Jones,John Potts (Junior)
Secretary: William Jordan
Treasurer: William Dawes

Place	Club	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Goals		Points
1	Dinmore Bush Rats	11	8	1	2	42	7	17
2	Eskgroves	12	6	3	3			15
3	Wellington	12	6	2	4			14
4	Bulimba Rangers	11	6	1	4			13
5	Valley	11	3	2	6			8
6	Woodeville	11	2		9			4
7	Milton	12	1		10			2

In Memoriam

William Lynch dies (Born 1850) (See Slide)

William Joseph Lynch(1850-1910)

William Joseph Lynch arrived from County Wrexford Ireland at age 12

He helped form Dinmore Bushrats and is President from 1895-1904

He was the Headmaster of Redbank State School and the first Headmaster at Dinmore State School from 1891 until his death

He introduced the School Arbor day celebrations which continued until 1935

William was founding member of the Ipswich and West Moreton Football Association

and President from 1895-1898

He also formed the Dinmore Cricket Club and Dinmore Rifle Club.

The High alter in St Mary's church has the inscription" erected to the memory of William Joseph Lynch and family March 19,1919)
William's sister Mary came to Australia with William and became the first Assistant teacher at Dinmore State School

William's son William became President of Bush Rats in 1923

3rd September *Queensland Times (65)*

I was intensely pleased, last Saturday, to renew my acquaintances with the Bush Rats, of Dinmore. True, it was late in the season-the wattle blooms were fading in the surroundings of the Alliance ground, which is hemmed in by wattle-trees.

A delightful feature of the football matches in the Dinmore district is the interest evinced in these soccer battles by the women-folk. This has, however, always been in evidence with the followers of the Bush Rats, and I was delighted to notice the large assemblage of the feminine sex. Mothers, wives, and sisters were there in great force, and it was pleasing to again meet that good old lady, Mrs. D. Nunn, who has been in that district some 53 years : she stated that the whole of her family (12 in all) were all alive, that she had 72 grandchildren, and quite a number of great grandchildren. The women seem to regard the football matches as occasions for homely gatherings, and every available log was lined with 'happy and smiling faces. It was likewise pleasing to again "rub shoulders" with those who have been stout defenders of the Bush Rats' laurels in many a hard-fought battle with metropolitan soccerite's. I refer to George Duck, Mat. Bailey, "Sandy" Stewart, and Pioch, as well as those consistent followers of .the soccer game, Cr. Mat. Bognuda, and Messrs. John Stafford, Jas Law, A. Stewart, sen, and T Young, sen

Is there another football club in the West Moreton district that has kept together for so many years as T' Rats ? It is 20 years and mole since they first came into existence in the vicinity of the old New Chum Colliery, and the name chosen for their club that of The Bush Rats, which the Yorkshire man down that way curtailed by calling it T' Rats attracted everyone's attention.

The members of "t'owd Brigade" are George Duck, Mat. Bailey, and big ",lack" Besgrove, and then there are the Skellerns, ,Jelfreys,,the Campbell, Joe Atterton, and the Wilsons. And what a bright career the Bush Rats have had Since the institution of the Challenge Cup competitions, in 1893, T' Rats have won that handsome trophy just a half-a-dozen times, the following being the complete list of winning clubs 1893Rosebank 1894-Normans1895, Bush Rats1896, Blackstone Rovers. 1897-Rosebanks. 1898 Bush Rats. 1899-Bush Rats.1900 Bush Rats 1901Bush Rats.!902-Bundamiba Rangers. 1904, Blackstone Rovers.1905 Wellingtons.1906Wellingtons.1909Wellingtons. 1910-Bush Rats.T' Rats, who are going strong for to win the Charity Cup, which contest will be decided, this afternoon, have won the "double"-both the Challenge and Charity Cups-in the one season on two previous occasions during the seasons of 1898 and 1899.

***The first Referees Association was formed this year(Andrew Rankine is first President)**

17th September *Queensland Times (66)*
Charity Cup Final

Bush Rats 1 vs Wellingtons nil (10th September)

Another victory in premiership honours in metropolitan circles came Ipswich way. and that was in the Charity Cup final ("soccer" rules) between the Bush Rats (of Dinmore) and theWellingtons (of Brisbane)

.The result of the previous Saturday's match between these clubs was a drawn game with o goals each. Last Saturday's exposition terminated in favour of T'Rats, by 1 goal to a "dunk's-egg." TheWellingtons played a strenuous game all! through, and' their 'goal-keeper had proved Al in that position. until a few minutes before the fulltime whistle was blown, when A. Jordan, from an attack by the Rats in front of their opponents' goal, gained no advantage. and then passed promptly to "Tit" Young, the skipper, who succeeded in potting a goal, which proved to be the winning goal. T'Rats have thus won the "double" this season—namely, both the Challenge and Charity Cups. The names of the victorious team are as follow : T. Young (captain)G Burns A.Verrall, A. Jordan,W. Halls, H Britttain, A.Wilson, J. Campbell, A. Tedman, J. Law, andW. Rolls

A GRAND BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL MATCH.

BUSH RATS (Dinmore)
V.
ESKGROVES (Brisbane).
AT DINMORE.

TO-DAY (SATURDAY), August 20, for Charity Cup. A real, genuine, scientific game of "Soccer."
Roll-up! Roll-up!
Collection on Grounds. Proceeds to Charity.
1237 W. JORDAN, Hon. Sec.

Semi Final

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27th September *Queensland Times (67)*

Bush Rats 5 vs Toowoomba 2 (20th September)

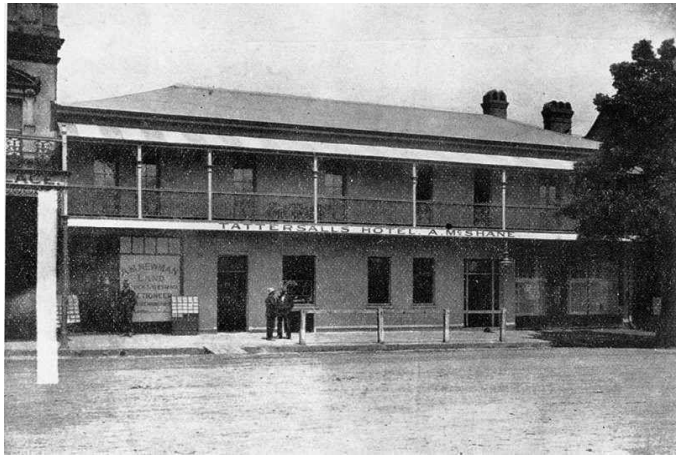
On Saturday last the Bush Rats ("soccer") team journeyed to Toowoomba to try conclusions, with a combined eleven at that city. Mr. Mat. Bailey acted as manager of the Rats, who on arriving in Toowoomba, were met by Mr.W Cox and taken to Tattersall's Hotel.

The match was played on the southern end of park, and there was a good attendance, including many ladies.

The teams were:

Bush Rats-Goal,W. Rolls; full backs, G. Law. Tcdman; half-backs, J. Burns, R. Tapp, Randolph; forwards.W Halls, H. Randolph,A Wilson, A. Nunn, A Verrall.

Toowoomba.-Goal,: Rev. T. 'Cockell; full-backs, S. Cousins, H.Yunger; half-back, D. Mollisen, W J Cox, J. Lendrumn; forwards,W. Wackner, R Brazicr, H Risson, R Bycroft, L G. Lee. Referee, Mr. M Bailey



Tattersall's Hotel

G. Law won the toss from H. Risson, and decided to kick against the wind.

From the kick-off Toowoomba pressed, and sook had the Rats in trouble. T'Rats defended well, but could not break through the attack. A corner resulted, and Law cleared: but Toowoomba again had them fighting hard to avert a score, and Rolls, the 'Rats' keeper, was kept going in his efforts to keep the ball out, then the Rats forwards took a hand, and a fine passing rush brought the game into Toowoomba's territory, but Cousins saved the situation, and play came back to the Rat's goal. The Rats broke away. again, and Toowoomba were put on the defensive, and for a time it seemed as if the Rats would score, but the Rev. Cockell was equal to the occasion, and saved well. Toowoomba broke away, and by a series of neat -passes soon brought play to the Rat's end. Risson, who was playing a fine game sent in a hot shot that beat the Rats keeper, and thus drew first blond.

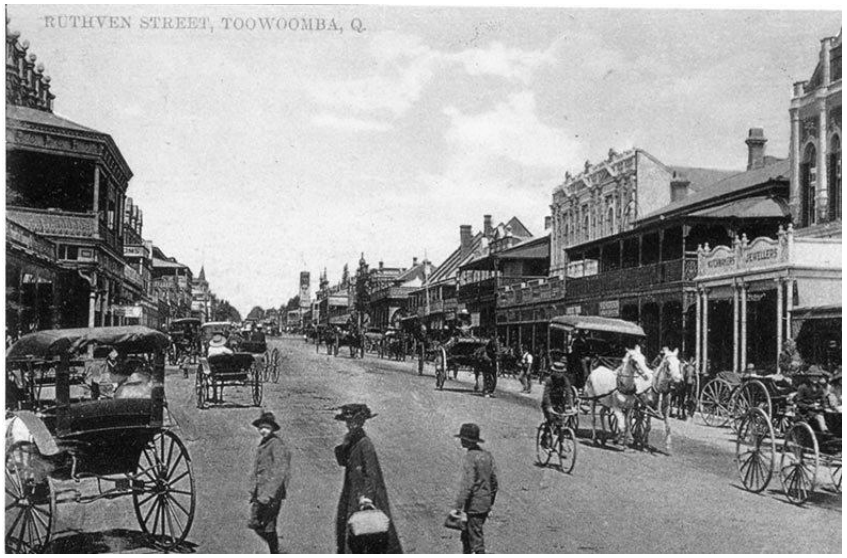
From the kick-off Rats' forced matters, and some fine centring was done by the Rats wing men, and Toowoomba's goal was soon in danger. Halls centred to Tedman, who passed to Verrall, who centred to Randolph, thus bringing play into the mouth of Toowoomba's goal. Wilson secured the leather, and when under the bar passed to Nunn, who put through.

The half-time whistle sounded shortly after, with the scores equal one all. On resuming, Rats made a slight alteration in their team. Wilson taking full back and Law centre 6frward. The Rats attacked from the jump, land were soon on Toowoomba's line. Law secured, and, with a low, fast shot, beat Toowoomba's keeper-Rats, 2; Toowoomba, 1.

But this lead was not for long, as Toowoomba forced matters, and from some loose play Rollison scored.With scores again even, Rats forced, and some of the best combination .of the match was witnessed. Law accepted a neat centre from Verrall, and, in shooting the ball hit a Toowoomba player; and' went through-Rats, 3;Toowoomba," 2. Rats now had the best of- the game, and had Toowoomba on the defensive.

The Rats passing and centring were splendid.Verrall took along pats from Law, and ,with a good left-foot kick from the touch-line sent the ball under the bar. Rats, 4 ;Toowoomba, 2.With but a few minutes to go Toowoomba took a hand in the attack, but not for long, as Rat s soon forced them back, and Law with a high shot just got the ball under the bar, thus kicking his third goal of the match Full-time came shortly after with the scores-Rats, 5;Toowoomba, 2

The Rats were entertained at tea by the Toowoomba association at the hotel. Mr.W. Cox presided. On Sunday morning the visitors hired Mr. D. Lock's drag, and went for a drive round the city.The Rats returned hone on Sunday night after a good holiday in the capital of the Downs.



(Toowoomba)

Photos Toowoomba Historical Society

31st October *Queensland Times (68)*

Social and Presentation of Football Badges

A very successful social under the auspices of the Bush Rats Football Club was held in the P.A.F.S.O.A.Hall, Dinmore, on Saturday evening last
The arrangements were in the hands of a committee Consisting of Messrs. M Bailey (President)W Jordan (secretary),W Dawes (treasurer), J Potts, jun. (vice-president) Arthur Wilson, and Arthur Tedman who were ably assisted in the dispensing of dainty refreshments by Mesdames A Tedman and Misses E and L Dawes and H Bailey
The hall was packed by the supporters and friend of the T Rats, dancing being carried on with vest. Mr. E. C.H.Weiss supplied the music whilst Mr. N. Randolph proved to be an efficient MC .The officers of the club in addition to those mentioned Mr John Stafford, sen patron,M Bailey (president), John Potts, jun., and numerous other vice-presidents.The selectors who selected the teams during the past season.Were the. president, the secretary, and Messrs J Potts jun. A Wilson, and F. Hudson.'
At an interval in the dancing the President mounted the platform alongside the table on which stood the Brisbane Charity Cup (won by the senior team), the Brisbane Senior and Junior (Challenge Cups (won by the senior and junior teams respectively, the Old West Moreton Challenge Cup and the Hodgson Trophy.The President said that he was given the pleasure of handing to the players of the senior and junior teams the badges won by them, with the Challenge Cups in the Brisbane District British Football Association.There was no need for him to say much about football to those present, as they were well acquainted with the game of football, nor had he need to speak of the achievements of the Bush Rats, as the trophies on the table would show what they had done.They hold as their own property, the West Moreton Challenge Cup, and the Hodgson Trophy.They had also annexed the Brisbane Senior and Junior Challenge Cups and the Charity Cup, which they would hold for the year.With their junior team they were like wise runners-up for the West Moreton Junior Challenge Cup and badges. Its then handed the badges to the players, each in turn as he went forward to receive his badge being loudly applauded.
The names of the players receiving badges are :-Senior team -Thomas Young jun(captain),Garnet Burns (vice-captain),William Halls, George Law, Joseph Jordan, James Tedman jun,Harry Brittain, James Campbell, Albert Jordan, Arthur Tedman, William Rolls, Edward Hawkins, Arthur Wilson, Robert Jeffrey, and Arthur Verrall. Junior team--Ernest Dawes (captain),George Jones (vice-captain),W.Thompson, F.Thompson, Alf. Nunn,Dan Potts,W. Pioch, G. Skellern N. Randolph, H Randolph G.Humphreys,T'Mc Cullen,W.Tait,R Tapp W. Lucas, J Burns and Quilp.
Both lots of Badges were of a very nice design, silver with a gold shield set in the centre, and inscribed with the names of the successful players and the club. The President continuing, said that they could not win any more badges this year, but he hoped they would prove victorious again next year. Mr.J.Potts, jun moved a vote of thanks to the President, for presenting the badges and the motion was carried by acclamation.The secretary of the British District Football Association, Mr Robert Riddle was present during the evening..The. Bush Rats' record for the season. is: Senior team, Played 161 matches won 13. lost two and drawn one whilst the Junior team played 15 matches won 13 and drawn one.In the course of the evening solos which were much appreciated were rendered by Messer T Mc Cullen and James Byrnes.A most successful social was bought to a close before

-1910-

Dinmore Bush Rats Football Club

Premiers

Back row:----,Garnett Burns,William Rolls,Arthur Wilson,George Law

Third row: James Tedman (Vice President) William Halls,John Potts (Vice President) John Hainsworth (Vice President) Albert Jordon,C H Jones (Vice Pres)

Second row: Alec Stewart (Vice Pres) Arthur Tedman,Matthew Bailey (President) Thomas Young (Captain) John Stafford (Patron) Edward Hawekins,William Jordan (Sec)

Front row: M Reinhart (Vice President) Harry Brittain,James Jordon,William Dawes (Treasurer)

-1910-

Dinmore Bush Rats

2nd Division Premiers

Back row(L-R) William Lucas,Walter Pioch,G Humphrey,Dan Potts,Norman Randolph

Second row: C Jones (Vice-P) Jack Potts (Vice-P) George Skellern,Jackie Lynch,Alf Nunn,William Dawes(Treasurer) Alec Stewarts(Vice-P)

Third row: William Jordan (Sec) James Burns,John Stafford (Patron) Ernest Dawes (Captain) George Jones,Matthew Bailey (President) W Thompson,James Tedman (Vice-P)

Front row: M Reichart,William Tait,Henry Randolph,H Hainsworth (Vice-P)

Source Picture Ipswich

Bulimba Rangers
Champions

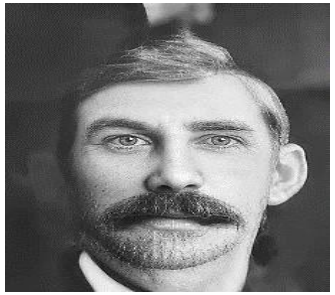
- Arthur Gedge elected President of the Association
- The 1911 Census shows 9528 people living in Ipswich
- Alec Gibb migrated to Australia arriving on the ship 'Paparoa"
- Robert Kemp arrives from Scotland. He will be President of the Asssociation (1919) and Secretary for 20 years
- Census shows 9528 people living in Ipswich
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Ipswich Premiers
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Junior Premiers and Challenge Cup and Junior Minor Premiers (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 0)
- Dinmore are also Schoolboy Premiers
- Queensland Seniors: William Halls, Garnet. Burns, George Law George Bullock Queensland 2 HMAS Powerful 4
  They become the first of 46 Dinmore Bush Rats players to represent Qld
- Ipswich School Competition commences

Seniors: William Rolls, George Law, William Halls, James Jordan, Arthur Tedman, Frederick Evans, Robert Tapp, George Jones Robert Jeffrey, James Jordan, Thomas Young, XGarnet Burns, Frederick Evans

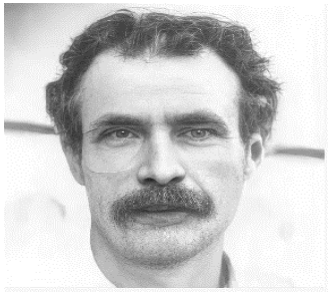
Junior: Alf Nunn (Captain, George Skellern, Gif Evans, Eli Jones, *David. Neilson (1891-1976) Robert Tait, David Peck Peter McQueen, Frederick Tedman, Dan Potts, Walter Verrall, Albert Shearer, * William Jeffrey(1895-1932) Joe Saunder

Junior Minor Team(C team): Richard Roach (Captain) Harold Yates. William Peck (1894-1937) Arthur Freeman, Tom Hainsworth A(Mick) Burns(1897-1945) *Norman Verrall(1893-1974) Robert Bailey, *Joseph Pedley(1890-1960) John Duck, Edward Tait Francis Burns, Joseph Perrett, R Jones, Thomas Tapp, *Frederick Nunn (1892-1931) Evan Watkins

President: Matthew. Bailey
Vice Presidents: John Hainsworth, M Goostroy
W. Anderson, James Tedman, Matthew Bognuda
Selectors: John Potts, Alec Stewart
Social Secretary: William Dawes



Arthur Gedge



Robert Kemp

In Memoriam

- John Potts (Born 1845). John was born in Northern Ireland He has four sons play soccer. John Jnr, William, Daniel, Joseph William served in the Boer War and John was in the Ipswich Mounted Infantry Dan represented Queensland

Photos Lost Ipswich

-1911-

Dinmore State School Premiers and Cup Winners

Back Row: William Bailey,*Harry Jarvis,William Harvey,*TomMorris,H Shearer,Maldwyn Coleman
Second Row:*Matthew Bognuda,D Morris,M Campbell,P Statham,xWilliam Jarvis,Richard Routledge
Front Row:*Arthur Wilson,*Ernie Rumble(Qld Senior Representative)

***Future Dinmore Bush Rats x Future Bundamba Rangers**

Source Private collection/Dinmore State School Centenary

Brisbane Challenge Cup

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Bulimba Rangers	14	12	1	1	25
2	Wellington	14	10		3	22
3	Bundamba Rangers	14	11		3	22
4	Bush Rats	13	6	2	5	14
5	Eskgroves	12	3	1	6	7
4	Valley	11	2	2	7	5
5	Ipswich Railways	11	1	2	8	4
6	Milton	12		1	11	1

Joseph Pedley Bush Rats Premiership Medals

*Not all results known

Photos Ipswich Libraries

-1911-

Dinmore Bush Rats

Junior Minor

Undefeated Premiers

No Order: Richard Roach (Captain) Harold Yates. William Peck, Arthur Freeman, Tom Hainsworth, Alexander Burns, Norman Verrall, Robert Bailey Joseph Pedley, John Duck, Edward Tait, Francis Burns, Joseph Perrett, R Jones, Thomas Tapp, Frederick Nunn, Evan Watkins Matthew Bailey (President) John Hainsworth (Vice Pres) M Goostroy (Vice Pres) W Anderson (Vice Pres) James Tedman, (Vice Pres) Matthew Bognuda (Vice Pres) John Potts (Selector) Alec Stewart (Selector) William Dawes (Social Secretary**)**

1912

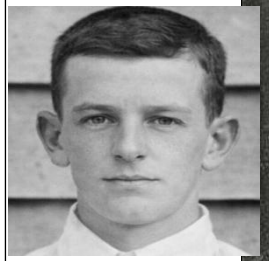
Blackstone Rovers
Champions (Undefeated)

Dan Potts

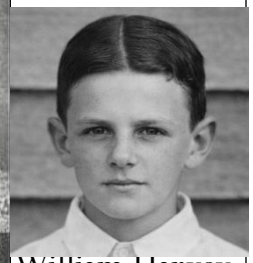
- Walter Cantle elected President of the Association
- The Hetherington Cup is introduced.it is donated by Ald J W Hetherington
- Green Cup is introduced Donated by Harry Green Commonwealth Hotel)
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Junior Brisbane 2nd Grade Undefeated and Junior Minor Brooks Cup
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Second Grade
- Silkstone Montes win the Junior Minor
- Ipswich Schoolbots; Percy Statham,Dave Morris,Willliam Harvey,William Jarvis
  West Moreton1 Toowoomba1,West Moreton3 Toowoomba nil
- Queensland Schoolboys: Percy Staham,Tom Morris,William Harvey,William Jarvis
  Queensland nil New South Wales 3,Queensland 1 New South Wales nil
- First Interstate Schoolboys match is played (Queensland 1 New South Wales 4)
- Kruger family move to Bundamba. They are involved in supporting soccer as players and administrators.
  The Intercity competition is named after them
- Ipswich Seniors: Alfred Nunn,James Burns,Albert Shearer,Dan Potts,Arthur Verrall
  Ipswich 1 Brisbane nil,Ipswich 4 NSW 2, Ipswich nil Howard Rovers 1
- Queensland Seniors: Dan Potts,Arthur Verrall
  Queensland 0 New South Wales 3,Queensland 4 Combined Navy 2,Queensland 0 New South Wales 6
  Queensland 1 New South Wales 2,Queensland 1 New South Wales3

Seniors:Dan Potts,Frederick Tedman,Frederick Thompson,Arthur Verrall,Albert Shearer (1890-1971) Alfred Nunn,James Burns David Peck,George Skellern,Ernest Dawes,David Neilson,Ernie Verrall,F Jeffrey
Juniors: Premiers: Norman Verrall (Captain) William Jeffrey(Vice-Captain) Edward Tait,Thomas Tapp,Harold Yates,Tom Hainsworth Peter Jeffrey (1891-1957),Evan Watkins,Frederick Nunn,Richard Roach,Alexander Burns,Thomas Burns,R Jones,Albert Shelton

President: Matthew Bailey



Tom Morris



William Harvey

William Jarvis

Percy Statham

-1912-

Dinmore State School

Soccer Premiers

Percy Statham, William Jarvis, Willima Harvey, Tom Morris Represent Queensland in first Interstate match

Source Picture Ipswich

-1912-

Queensland Team

Squad: Alan McGowan(Captain) Garnet Burns(Blackstone Rovers) George Bullock(Blackstone Rovers)George Law (Vice Captain Blackstone Rovers) Jim Young (Ipswich Workshop) A Morrison,Frank Dowding(Toowoomba) Thomas Bowmer, R Dickson,William Adkins,Frederick.Fountaine, W Morrison George McKay,W McKay Jim McKenzie(WW1 Veteran) (Ipswich Workshop) Percy Martin,H Morrison,Garnet Burns(Blackstone Rovers) R Dickson David Dougall,W.Burroughs,Francis Bosworth,R Davidson, William Patterson (WW1Veteran Blackstone Rovers) A Thompson,Arthur Irvine (Blackstone Rovers) Arthur Verrall (Dinmore Bush Rats) G Evans (Blackstone Rovers) Frederick Evans (Blackstone Rovers) Dan Potts(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Challenge Cup

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Blackstone Rovers	15	13	2	0	28
2	Bulimba	16	12	2	2	26
3	Dinmore Bush Rats	13	8	1	4	17
4	Wellington	14	6	1	7	13
5	Toowong	11	5		7	10
6	Eskgroves	13	3	1	7	9
7	Valley	10	4	1	5	9
8	Albion	13	4		9	8
9	Ipswich Railways	13	1	3	17	5

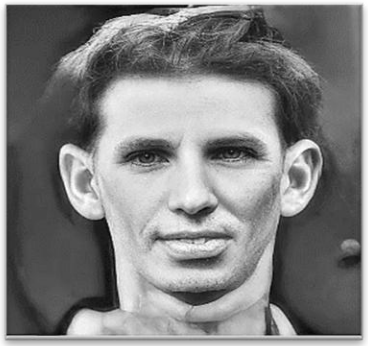
1913

Bundamba Rangers
Champions

- Thomas Sharpe elected President of the Association.
- Thomas Crane elected President of the First Ipswich Referees Association
- The following trophies introduced.Round Shield Premiership) (Donated by Frederick Round) Charity Cup (Hospital Shield) Nissen Cup (Junior) Grice Cup (Junior) Donated by J Hendry
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Premiership (Silver Badges)
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Charity Shield (Dinmore Bush Rats defeated Booval Stars)
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Junior Minor Premiership (Silver Badges) and Brooks Cup
- Dinmore Bush Rats are Junior Champions/Charity Shield/Nissen/Brook Cup Winners.Played 10 matches16 points Won 8 los t2
- Ipswich Seniors: Robert Scholes Thomas Wade
  Ipswich3 Brisbane 2,Ipswich nil Brisbane 2
- Queensland Seniors:Dan Potts *Tom Wade
  Queensland 0 Newcastle 1,Queensland 3 New South Wales 2,Queensland 6 Combined Hospitals 3,Queensland 0-NSW 1

*Thomas was killed in a car accident in 1954.He was born in England and played for Wolverhampton Wanderers

Seniors: Thomas Young,Ernie Verrall, Robert Scholes,George Jones,James Jordan,Thomas Skellern,James Burns,David Peck Ernest Dawes,George Skellern,Thomas Wade (1884- 1954) Harold Younger,Robert Tait
Juniors:,Thomas Tapp,Vern Rumble (Born 1896) Richard Roach,Thomas Johnson,William Johnson,R Jones,Arthur(Mick) Burns Tom Hainsworth,Walter Pioch,Peter Jeffrey



Vern Rumble

President: Matthew Bailey
Vice Presidents: Jack Routledge, D. Morris, H Green
Treasurer: Tom Hainsworth
Secretary:George Skellern

Ipswich and West Moreton

Place	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Bundamba Rangers	10	7	2	1	16
2	Blackstone Rovers	10	5	2	2	12
3	Dinmore Bush Rats	10	5	2	3	12
4	Ipswich City	10	2	3	4	7
5	Goodna	10	3		7	6
6	St Stephens	10	1	3	7	5

1913 National Swimming Titles
Joe Saunders

Australian swimming championships were held at the dry dock in South Brisbane, and a young Ipswich lad. who had established himself as the champion long distance swimmer of the State, finished third to Australian champion Billy Longworth in the three-quarter mile event. He was known throughout the State as Joe Saunders, but his real name was Joe Laimer. Joe, who always swam under the name of Saunders, held the 100 yards Ipswich title from 1908 to 1917. and at various times won the State 440 yds., three-quarter mile, half mile, and mile titles. He toured Queensland on several occasions, once with the American Duke Papoa Kahanamoku, who at that time was one of the best sprint swimmers in the world. During he winter he played Soccer Football with Bush Rats Club

(Home of James and Mary Rumble built from Dinmore Pottery Bricks Sons Vern and Ernie lived here)

Back row: Gordon Simpson (St Stephens) George Foreman, R Potts, Edward Aldred, Tom Weller (Ipswich City) R McGregor, A Brown, W Lancolm (Referee)
Second row: Arthur Verrall (Goodna) Garnet Burns (Goodna) Theodore Hauck (Vice Captain) Alderman C M Jenkinson (Manager)
James Peebles (Captain) Thomas Wade (Dinmore Bush Rats) Alec Gibb (Bundamba Rangers)
Front row: Dan Potts (Bundamba Rangers) Peter Spence (St Stephens) Donald Ross, A Taylor

1914

Bundamba Rangers
Champions

- John Potts elected President of the Association
- William Gunn enists in WW1. He would be the first Ipswich soccer player killed. He is killed at Gallipoli in 1915
- Dinmore Bush Rats win the Junior Challenge Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Walloon 1)
  They also win the Junior Green Cup and Charity Shield
- Dinmore Bush Rats Junior Minor are Premiers and Brooks Cup winners
- Ipswich Seniors: Robert Scholes, Thomas Wade, Dan Potts, William Breslin, Alec Gibb
  Ipswich 4 New South Wales 1
- Queensland Seniors: William Breslin, Alec Gibb, Dan Potts
  Queensland 0- New South Wales 0, Queensland 3 - New South Wales 2

John Potts

Seniors: Robert Scholes, Thomas Wade, Dan Potts, William Breslin Ernie Verrall, Thomas Brazier, James Burns, George Jones Ernest Dawes, Harry Burns, Alec Gibb, , David Neilson Arthur(Mick)Burns
Juniors: Jack Potts, Frederick Poulton, Frederick Thompson, Richard Roach, Matthew Bailey, R Jones, Alf Pedley, George Campbell Alexander Sharpe, R Jones, Vern Rumble, Tom Hainsworth, L McNabb, Tom Tapp

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Goals		Points
1	Bundamba Rangers	10	7	2	1	19	5	16
2	Booval	10	7	1	2	15	10	15
3	Dinmore Bush Rats	10	6	2	2	16	5	14
4	Goodna	10	2	2	6	10	13	6
5	St Stephens	10	2	1	7	10	23	5
6	Ipswich City	10	2	0	8	13	27	4

Patron: Matthew Bognuda
President: Matthew. Bailey
Vice Presidents: Jack Routledge, D. Morris, H Green
Treasurer: Tom Hainsworth
Secretary: Jack Potts
Delegates: Thomas Wade, Ernest Verrall, T. Brazier Senior team, Tom Hainsworth, A Burns Junior teams

In Memoriam

Henry Randolph (1843) (See Slide)

Henry Ludwig Randolf (*Randolph) (1843- 1914) Anna Richter (1857-1939)

Norman

Henry immigrates from Germany and marries Anna Richter
They have five sons Martin, William, Henry Louise, Norman and Bertie
They all play for Dinmore Bush Rats, William also played for Reliance

Norman's son Earlston played for Dinmore Bush Rats

Grandson Henry Walter plays for Bush Rats and becomes Patron of the club.

Henry son Bertie also plays for Dinmore Bush Rats.
His other sons Brian and Barry play and Barry becomes President of St Helens
Brian was killed in the Box Flat mining disaster in 1972
Great Grandson Norman played for Dinmore Bush Rats and did his son Trevor

Daughter Annie married Alfred Thomas Hudson future President of Dinmore Bush Rats

Bert

Henry Walter

Brian

Barry

Martin

Henry Louis

Henry	(1843-1914)
Anna	(1857-1939)
Children	
Martin	(1877-1952)
William	(1881-1955)
Henry	(1886-1967)
Norman	(1899-1978)
Children	
Earlston	(1913-1965)
Bertie	**(1896-1963)**
Henry	**(1886-1967)**
Children	
Henry	(1910-1990)
Bertie	(1929-2019)

Barry	Dinmore Bush Rats (1947)
Bert	St Helens (1945) Dinmore Bush Rats (1946-1949,1952,1955)
Brian	Dinmore Bush Rats (1947)
Earlston	Dinmore Wanderers(1929) Dinmore Bush Rats (1929-1930-1934)
Gary	St Helens (1982)
Henry	Dinmore Bush Rats (1907,1910)
Henry	Dinmore Bush Rats (1927,1933-1934) Dinmore Wanderers (1929) St Helens (1930,1935-1937) Booval Stars (1932,1934
Henry	Dinmore Bush Rats (1946-1947)
Keith	St Helens (1962)
Martin	Dinmore Bush Rats (1897,1902,1905-1907) Reliance (1904)
Martin	St Helens (1927)
Norman	Dinmore Bush Rats (1909-1910)
Norman	Dinmore Bush Rats (1927)
Trevor	Dinmore Bush Rats (1947)
William	Reliance (1904,1909)

Dinmore Bush Rats Veterans

Boer War (1899-1902)

Michael Egan(1876-1967)
William Potts(1877-1962)
David Robert Lilley(1879-1951)

World War 1 (1914-1918)

Horace Abbott (1895-1928)
Clement Bognuda(1900-1986)
William Breslin(1890-1952)
James Burns(1896-1967)
Michael Egan(1876-1967)
Frederick Evans (1885-1959)
Percival Hodge (1898-1932)
Peter Jeffrey(1891-1957)
William Jeffrey(1895-1932)
Alfred Law (1893-1979)
James Lindsay(1894-1978)
David Neilson(1891-1976)
Frederick Nunn(1892-1931)
William Peck(1894-)
Alf Pedley(1895-1976)
Joseph Pedley(1890-1960)
William Rolls(1889-1957)
Cecil Sanger (1895-1974)
Alex Sharp (1893-1963)
Thomas Tapp (1893-1918)
Norman Verrall(1893-1974)
Thomas Wade(1884- 1954)
Edwin Watkins (1895-1959)

Dinmore Roll of Honour(Alliance Hall)
Unveiled 27th October 1916

Privates 5th Queensland Imperial Bushmen(Boar War)

David Robert Lilley (1879-1951)
(Dinmore Bush Rats)

William Potts(1877-1962)
(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Michael Egan (1876-1967)
(Boar War/Private 52 nd Battalions(WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Photos from Searching Anzacs

William Breslin(1890-1952)
(9th Battalion WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats,Bundamba Rangers,Ipswich City)

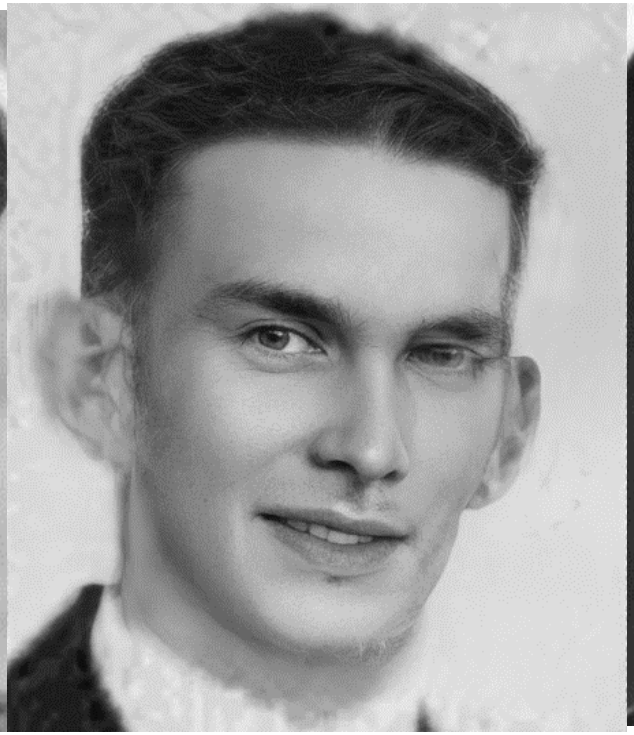
David Henry Neilson(1891-1976)
(31st Battalion WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats,Bundamba Rangers)

Peter Jeffrey(1891-1957)
(37th BattalionWW1)

(Dinmore Bush Rats,Bundamba Rangers,St Helens)

William Jeffrey(1895-1932)
(Private 15th Battalion (WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Thomas Wade(1884- 1954)
Tunneling Corp (WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats)



Thomas Tapp (1893-1918)
(49th Australian Battalion (WW1)
(Booval Stars,Dinmore Bush Rats,Bundamba Rangers)

Alfred Pedley(1895-1976)
(Corporal 9th Australian Battalion (WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats,Bundamba Rangers)

George William Tapp (1887-1952)
2nd Remount unit (WW1)
(Blackstone Rovers)

Clement Bognuda(1900-1986)
(WW1/WW2)

(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Percival Hodge (1898-1932)
(59th Battallion WW1)
Dinmore Bush Rats/Bundamba Rangers)

James Lindsay(1894-1978)
(Private 47th Australian Infantry Battalion(WW1)

(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Frederick Nunn(1892-1931)
(Private 14th BattalionWW1)

(Dinmore Bush Rats,Bundamba Rangers)

Alex Sharp
(PrivateMachine Gun Co WW1)

Joseph Pedley(1890-1960)
(Private 9th Battalion (WW1)

(Dinmore Bush Rats,Booval Stars,Bundamba Rangers)

Cecil Sanger
(WW1)
(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Norman Verrall (1893-1974)
(Private 41st BattalionWW1)

(Dinmore Bush Rats)

Frederick Nunn photo from Dinmore Nunn's webpage

26th November *Queensland Times (69)*

Smoke Concert

A smoke concert, under the auspices of the Bush Rats Football Club (writes our correspondent), was held in the Alliance Hall on Saturday evening last, to mark the close of a successful season, and to afford an opportunity to present, the various trophies which have been won.
Apologies were received from Mr. T'.W. Crane (secretary of the I. andW.M.I.F.A.), I. Scholes (captain of the senior club), and E Bavister (vice-president). There was a large gathering of players and visitors. Mr. M. Bailey (president of the club) was voted to the chair.

*After the loyal toasts had been honoured, that of "The Referees' Association" was proposed by the Chairman, and supported by Mr. T. B Mason, who spoke in complimentary terms of the work which the referees are doing to foster the game, and keep it up to the proper standard. Mr Kemp in responding, thanked the Bush Rats for the way in which they had drunk his health, and said that he always had great pleasure in refereeing a match in which the Rats were partaking, as he always found them to act very fairly. *"The President" was proposed Mr. John Potts, who spoke in eulogistic terms of the splendid services rendered to the club by the President over a period of 27 years, he having been the first secretary.*

I think the Bush Rats must be the oldest club, in Queensland, and hold a record for the number of trophies won as the President remarked, in responding, that since their establishment as a club, they have seldom failed to win one trophy every season. either with the senior or the junior team. The toast of "The Patron" was next proposed, and was given a fine reception.

Other toast honoured were "The Club," "'The Secretary." "Guests," and " Kindred Clubs." In the course of the evening, the following presentations were made by Mr. Bryson: Hetherington Cup (won by seniors), to Mr. Bailey; Nissen Cup (junior), to Mr M Bognuda: Green Cup (junior). to Mr. Tom Potts; junior-minor to Mr John Potts: and a medal to each one of the junior players.

Songs were rendered by Messrs. 1. Corbett, D. Potts. F. Holden. T Tapp, and T Bryson whilst Mr. T. Ward gave a recitation. Mr. A McMillan was the accompanist. The enjoyable function was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

1915

Dinmore Bush Rats

Champions

Seniors Challenge Cup / Charity Shield / Hetherington Cup / Ipswich Cup Winners

Junior Minor: Brooks and Challenge Cup Winners

- William Jeffrey, Willaim Breslin and David Nielson enlist in WW1
- William Breslin presented with a watch by employees of the Redbank Colliery after enlisting in WW1.
  William was the sixth person from one boarding houseat Ebbw Vale to enlist.
- Dinmore Bush Rats Seniors win the Challenge Cup, Hetherington Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 St Stephens nil)
  They also win the Charity Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 5 Goodna 2)
- The Senior Challenge Cup was won when Blackstone Rovers forfeited. They had wanted to postpone the match to Honour returning soldiers but the request was refused and the executive had no alternative, but to award the cup to the Rats.
- Juniors are Undefeated and win the Premiership, Challenge Cup and Charity Cup (Dinmore Bush Rats 3 St Helens nil)
- A Charity Intercity match, took place at Ebbw Vale between the Brisbane Junior Premiers Brisbane City and the Dinmore Bush Rats Junior Premiers. The proceeds were in aid of Lauchlan McNabb of who broke a leg at Blackstone.
  A Benefit dinner at the Alliance Hall followed. Score was Dinmore Bush Rats 2 Brisbane City nil. A presentation on the 30th October to the Undefeated Junior Dinmore Bush Rats team was made by David GledsonThe medals (Silver medals with Gold centre)
- Ipswich Juniors: Alexander Burns, Tom Hainsworth, Robert Roach, Vern Rumble, J Williams
- Ipswich Seniors: James Burns, Dan Potts, Thomas Wade, Tom Hainsworth
  Ipswich1 Brisbane 3
- Queensland Seniors: Dan Potts, Tom Wade
  Queensland 1- Northern New South Wales 2, Queensland 2 - New South Wales 4, Queensland 4 South Coast 1

President: Matthew Bailey
Vice Presidents: Jack Routledge, D. Morris, H Green
Treasurer: Tom Hainsworth
Secretary: Jack Potts
Delegates: Thomas Wade, Ernie Verrall, T. Brazier Senior team, Tom Hainsworth, A Burns Junior teams

Seniors: Ernie Verrall, Vern Rumble, James Burns, Ernest Dawes, George Jones, Norman Randolph, George Skellern, Harry Burns George Campbell, Dan Potts, John Hainsworth, Tom Hainsworth, Thomas Wade, V Russell, David Neilson, Alexander Burns Lauchlan McNabb

Juniors: Premiers and Grren Cup Winners: Frederick Nunn, Frederick Poulton, D Morris, Richard Roach, J Williams, Alec Stewart Alf Pedley, Eli Jones, Percy Statham, Edward Tait, Norman Thomson

Senior

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	For	Against	Points
1	Blackstone Rovers	10	8	2	0	20	8	18
2	Dinmore Bush Rats	7	4	1	2	12	5	9
3	Bundamba Rangers	8	3	2	3	6	8	8
4	Goodna	9	3	1	5	18	18	7
5	Ipswich City	6	1	2	3	10	9	4
6	St Stephens	8	1	0	7	8	26	2

Junior

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Dinmore Bush Rats	9	8	1		17
2	Walloon	9	6	2	1	14
3	St Helens	8	3	3	2	9
4	Sandy Gallop	8	4		4	8
5	Dinmore Wanderers	9	2	2	5	6
6	Raceview	9			9	0

Junior Minor

	Club	Matches	Won	Drawn	Loss	Points
1	Blackstopne Rovers	4	3		1	8
2	Dinmore Bush Rats	4	2		2	4
3	Bundamba United	4	1		3	2

Percy Statham
(Winners Medal)

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Dinmore Bush Rats Junior Football Club Undefeated Premiers,Challenge and Charity Cup Winners

Back Row:Percy Statham,Frederick Poulton,W Thompson,Frederick Nunn,A Stewart,E Tait,D Morris
Second Row:Alfred Pedley,C Wilson,ThomasJ Potts,---,Tom Hainsworth,George Jones
Sitting:T Brazier(Vice President),Vern Rumble,Jack Potts (Secretary) Richard Roach (Captain) Matthew Bailey (President) Alexander Burns,Alec Stewart (Vice President)
Sitting in front:David Campbell,E Jones

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Dinmore Bush Rats

Winners of Ipswich Challenge Cup,Hetherington Cup,Hospital Shield

Ernest Dawes (Back row middle Vern Rumble(second row second on left George Jones(second row first on left)
Sitting T Brazier(Vice President)------,Jack Potts (Secretary) Dan Potts(Matthew Bailey (President)--------,Alec Stewart (Vice President)
Others. James Burns,Norman Randorf ,Ern Verrall, Harry Burns,George Campbell,Tom Hainsworth,Tom Wade,George Skellern

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Queensland team

Back row: Jack Potts, H Overson, R Grant, W Jackson

Second row: W A Wright (Retired) William Paterson Garnet Burns, James Love, A W Cripps, Dan Potts, Peter Spence, O Read (Linesman)

Front row: M Jenkinson, A Moncrieff, William McBride(Captain) S Ross(Manager) Alec Gibb, A McDonald, Tom Wade (WW1 Veteran)

2nd October *Queensland Times (70)*

Charity Cup Final

Dinmore Bush Rats 5 Goodna 2

Football and Other Notes. (By "Old Sport,") In "soccer" football circles it is expected that the curtain will be drawn on the season's work subsequent to the conclusion, this afternoon, of the match between the Goodna team and T'Rats to decide, which senior combination shall hold the Charity Shield. The old convincing area, at Ebbw Vale has again been chosen. Great interest is being evinced in regard to the con-test, especially as T'Rats have al-ready "one leg in" for the double having won the Challenge Cup.

As has already been stated, the junior Bush Rats won everything--they were never beaten in their grade. If their senior comrades succeed in winning this afternoon, there will be immense jubilation, at .Dinmore, the home of all T'Rats, The Walloon "soccerites" will visit Toowoomba to-day, for the purpose, of meeting a junior combination at Toowoomba .The West Moreton's are expected to give a good account of themselves. A metropolitan authority states that Mr. John Kendal, latechairman of the British Football Association), has been accepted for service with the A.A.M.C., section of t he Expeditionary Forces, and has already gone into camp Mr. Kendal is well known throughout the West More-ton football area, and he was very popular in . "soccer" circles. Mr. T. Crain, a energetic secretary of the West Moreton British Football Association has been appointed to succeed Mr. Kendal as chairman of the Brisbane Association,

Soccer Football,

ON SATURDAY NEXT, SEPTEMBER 11.

GRAND FOOTBALL MATCHES AT KBBBW VALE.

CHALLENGE CUP FINALS.

Senior: BUSH RATS v. BLACKSTONE ROVERS, at 3.30 o'clock.
Junior: WALLOON v. BUSH RATS, at 2 o'clock.

ADMISSION—6d TO BOTH MATCHES.

Come and patronise the ground that made you laugh on the 28th.

T. W. CRANE, Hon. Secretary.

25th October *Queensland Times (71)*

Ipswich and West Moreton British Football presentation of trophies

The annual presentation of trophies won during the past season under the auspices of the Ipswich and West Moreton British Football Association took place on Saturday night in the Commonwealth Hotel. Mr. J. Potts presided over a large gathering of visitors and players. The trophies were displayed to advantage on one of the tables, and surely sufficed to satisfy their new owners for all the hard games they had played to obtain possession of them. The proceedings were opened with the toast of "The King," which was proposed by Aid. A. T. Stephen-son. In the course of his speech, Aid. Stephenson said be had never felt prouder that he had taken such a keen interest in sport than he did at the present time. for the call of the Empire for men had been responded to in the freest possible manner by sportsmen. He had found from his experience that the best sportsmen made the beet citizens. The toast was then drunk with enthusiasm. Mr. Bryson, in proposing "The Queensland British Football Association," said he did so with much pleasure. The Association had been formed with the object of securing central government for the various associations in the State, and, al though this had been attained, he considered that the Association was wrongly constituted, in as much as associations outside of Brisbane did not get adequate representation. He had reason to hope, however, that the Association had begun to see the force of the arguments which had beep brought before it, and a straw which showed the way the wind was blowing was the fact that a local representative had been appointed chairman of the Association. A good move to foster competition among the associations, he thought, would be the institution of a State cup. Mr. S. I . Ross, in reply, voiced his pleasure at being present, and, in regard ' to the Queensland British Football Association, said that the executive intended in the future to conduct the organisation more vigorously, and in a direction in which it was hoped greater success lay.

Speaking of the war, 'he said that about 200 soccer players. had left Brisbane for the front, and he had been informed by the New South Wales association secretary that over 2000 players had joined the tanks from that State. (Cheers). Four of the interstate players who re presented Queensland during the past season had also joined the colours. (Cheers). "The Ipswich and West Moreton Association" was proposed by Mr. Mc'Arthur, in the course of a eulogistic speech. He said he considered that the time was ripe or a few drastic changes in the constitution of the Queensland British Football Association and the scheme which had been prepared would, he was convinced. work for great goad.

The formation of a Brisbane association, as distinct from the Queensland British Football Association, was a necessary innovation, and one which would have the effect of giving a fairer deal to the country organisations, the number of which, he had reason to believe, would be much increased in the near future. Mr. J. Crick, in response, remarked on the pleasure it gave him to meet so many of the players. During the past season they had had to contend with a great shortage of men; further, he considered that the constitution of the local executive could be altered with advantage. A scheme had been prepared towards this end, and would be submitted to a meeting for discussion at a later date,

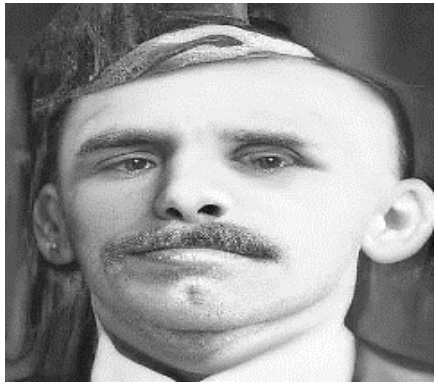
1st November *Queensland Times (72)*

Annual presentation of trophies

What is considered to be the most popular social of the year (writes our Dinmore correspondent) was held in the Alliance Hall on Saturday, under the auspices of the Bush Rat' Football Club, when the opportunity of presenting the trophies to the different teams was taken advantage of Dancing was' the chief amusement, the music for which was supplied in a first class manner by Messrs. Allen and Duce.Whilst Mr. J. Campbell capably carried out the duties of M.C. During the evening the president of the club Mr M. Bailey. who acted as chairman, called on Mr. D. A. Gledion, M.L.A., to present trophies to the different teams, In doing so,

Mr. Gledson congratulated the winners on their successes, and remarked that the number of cups and medals upon the table went to show that the Bush Rats are the premier teams of the district.. He also mentioned that the sportsmen had ot, forgotten their duty to. the Empire, and he was proud to say that both the seniors and junior Rats were being represented at tie front. Mr. Gledson then, on behalf of the senior Rats, asked Mr Bailey to hold the Charity Shield for the 12 months; and Mr M Bognuda was requested to hold the Hetherington Cup, which has been won twice in succession.

Each of the gentleman thanked the players for the honour they had conferred on them. and promised to take every possible care of the trophies.



Alex(Sandy)Stewart

The presentation in the junior grade followed. Mr. Gledson skid that this team had had a highly successful season, and bad carried everything before them.

He then presented the medals (silver medals with gold centre) to the members of the team, and called upon Mr. Alex Stewart to hold the Nissen Cup, which has been won in 1913, 1914 and 1915.MrT Brazier the Brook Cup. won in 1912, 1913. 1914. and 1915

. On behalf of the junior-minor team, he asked Mr.T. Potts. to take charge of the Green Cup for the 12 months. Each of the gentlemen suitably returned thanks.

The Chairman requested Mr. Gledson to make presentations to Privates D Neilson and J. Lindsay on behalf of the club, as they had offered their services to the Empire. Mr Gledeon said they were all proud of the young men who were giving up all for the defence of the Empire. and proud of the parents who were sacrificing their sons. But they were comforted by the glowing reports that had come from the front and hoped that both would be spared to see victory come to the allies and also return to take their place in the teams once more,Mr Bognuda on behalf of Private Neilson thanked the club for a gift of a wrist watch. MrsW Lindsay on behalf of Pte Lindsay who was unable to be present accepted the gift of a gents gold band ring suitably inscribed by his club mates.

1891 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

9th May	Blackstone Rovers 1	Ipswich 1		
20th June	Blackstone Rovers 6	Ipswich 1		
18th July	Dinmore nil	Dinmore Bush Rats nil		
25th July	Dinmore 1	Silkstone 1	Dinmore Bush Rats 1	Blackstone Rovers 1
1st August	Ipswich 3	Dinmore Bush Rats nil		
15th August	Blackstone Rovers 1	Dinmore 1	Dinmore Bush Rats	Silkstone
22nd August	Silkstone 4	Dinmore 11 nil	Dinmore 5	Ipswich nil
29th August	Blackstone Rovers 2 Blackstone played unregistered players and replay ordered	Dinmore Bush Rats 1	Dinmore	Sikstone
19th September	Ipswich 2	Silkstone 1	Blackstone Rovers 1	Dinmore nil
26th September	Blackstone Rovers	Dinmore		
7th November	Blackstone Rovers 1	Silkstone nil		

1892 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

4th June	Bush Rats 3 Silkstone nil	Dinmore nil Whitwood nil	
11th June	Blackstone Rovers 1 Whitwood A 1	Dinmore 1 Silkstone 1	
18th June	Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers 1		
25th June	Bush Rats nil Whitwood A nil		
9th July	Blackstone Rovers 1 Silkstone 1		
16th July	Bush Rats 5 Whitwood B 1	Blackstone Rovers nil Call Backs nil	Blackstone Rovers (2) 5 Whitwood A 1
23nd July	Dinmore nil Call Backs nil	Silkstone 3 Whitwood A 1	Blackstone 1 vs Bush Rats 4
30th July	Silkstone 5 vs Whitwwod B nil	Dinmore 4 vs Blackstone 3	Call Backs 3 vs Whitwood A nil
6th August	Dinmore 4 vs Whitwood A 1		
13th August	Dinmore 7 vs Whitwood B nil		
20th August	Bush Rats 1vs Whitwood A 1	Dinmore 4 vs Silkstone Stars nil	Whitwood B(Forfeit) vs Blackstone Rovers
27th August	Bush Rats nil vs Dinmore nil		
3rd September	Blackstone Rovers nil vs Whitwood A nil	Bush Rats 4 vs Dinmore 1	Call Backs vs Silkstone(Silkstone walked off following disputed goal)
17th September	Bush Rats 3 vs Blackstone Rovers nil	Silkstone 2 Whitwood 1	Dinmore 3 vs Call Backs2
24th September	Bush Rats 3 vs Silkstone Stars nil	Whitwood (Forfeit)vs Call Backs	Dinmore vs Blackstone(Forfeit0
4th October	Bush Rats 2 vs Callbacks nil		

1893 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

10th June	Bush Rats(Won) Whitwood	Blackstone Rovers B Dinmore
17th June	Bush Rats 1 Dinmore 1	Blackstone Rovers A 3 Whitwood nil
1st July	Bush Rats 4 Blackstone B nil	Blackstone Rovers A 2 Dinmore 1
8th July	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers A1	Blackstone Rovers B 1Whitwoods 3
15th July	Dinmore 2 Whitwood 1	Blackstone Rovers A 5 Blackstone Rovers B nil
22nd July	Bush Rats 1 Whitwood nil	Dinmore 4 Blackstone Rovers B nil
29TH July	Bush Rats 4 vs Dinmore nil	Blackstone Rovers A 4 vs Whitwood nil
12th August	Blackstone Rovers B Dinmore 1	
19th August (Final)	Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers A nil	

Brisbane Challenge Cup

24th June	Bush Rats nil Normans 1	
8th July	Rosebanks 5 Alloway 3	
15th July	Normans Alloways(Draw)	
5th August	Bush Rats 4 Rosebanks 4	Athletics 1 Normans 1
19th August	Rosebanks 4 Normans 3	
26th August	Bush Rats 4 Alloways 2	
2nd September	Bush Rats nil Athletic nil	
9th September	Athletics(Won)Alloways	Rosebank nil Athletics(Won)
23rd September(Semi Final)	Rosebank 2 Athletics 2	Normans Bye
30th September(Semi Final Replay)	Rosebank 4 Athletics 2	
14th October(Final)	Rosebanks 4 Normans 4	
28th October(Final)	Rosebanks 1 Normans nil	

1894 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton	
12th May	Bush Rats nil Blackstone Rovers 1
26th May	Bush Rats 6 Whitwood nil
9th June	Blackstone Rovers 2 Ipswich nil
14th July	Bush Rats Ipswich(Forfeit) Blackstone Rovers(Won) Whitwood
8th September (Ipswich Challenge Cup)	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers 2
29th September(Final)	Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 1
Brisbane Challenge Cup	
9th June	Normans 6 Rosebanks 1
16th June	Blackstone Rovers 3 Brisbane Athletic 2 Bush Rats 2 Rosebanks 1 Normans Bye
30th June	Normans 4 Blackstone Rovers nil
21st July	Bush Rats 5 Brisbane Athletic nil
18th August (Final)	Bush Rats 1 vs Normans 3
Brisbane Charity Cup	
28th July (Brisbane Charity Cup)	Normans 1 Rosebanks 2
4th August (Brisbane Charity Cup)	Bush Rats 4 Blackstone Rovers 1
11th August (Brisbane Charity Cup)	Brisbane Athletic nil South Brisbane 1
1st September(Charity Cup Semi final)	Rosebanks 2 South Brisbane nil Bush Rats Bye
15th September(Final)	Bush Rats 3 vs Rosebanks 5

1895 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup		
1st June	Bush Rats 3 Athletics 1	Rosebank 4 South Brisbane 2
8th June	Normans 5 vs Rosebanks 3	Athletics 1 South Brisbane 3
15th June	Bush Rats 2 Rosebanks 2	Normans 5 South Brisbane nil
22nd June	Bush Rats 1 Normans nil	Rosebanks Athletics(Forfeit) replay ordered
29th June	Bush Rats(won) South Brisbane	
13th July		Normans 4 Athletics 1
20th July	Athletics vs Rosebanks (won)	
4th August	Bush Rats 3 Normans nil	
11th August	Bush Rats 2 Rosebanks nil	
18th August	Rosebanks 1 Normans 1	
14th September (Final)	Bush Rats 3 vs Normans 2	
Brisbane Charity Cup		
10th September	Normans 2 Athletics 1	
21st September	Bush Rats 7 vs Rosebanks 1	
5th October (Final)	Normans 6 Bush Rats nil	

*Blackstone Rovers withdrew from the competition

1896 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup		
6th June	Bundamba Rangers(won) Normans	Bush Rats Ipswich Rovers(won)
13th June	Ipswich Rovers 1 Normans 4	Bundamba Rangers 5 Rosebanks 1
20th June	Normans 4 Rosebanks nil	Bundamba Rangers (won) Bush Rats
27th June	Bundamba Rangers Rosebanks(won)	Bush Rats(won) Ipswich Rovers
4th July	Ipswich Rovers 7 Rosebanks 1	Normans (won) Bush Rats
11th July	Ipswich Rovers(won) Bush Rats	Bundamba Rangers Rosebanks(won)
18th July	Bundamba Rangers 2 Normans 1	Ipswich Rovers 4 Rosebanks nil
25th July	Bush Rats(won) Bundamba Rangers	Normans Rosebanks(won)
1st August	Normans 2 Rosebanks nil	Bush Rats(won) Ipswich Rovers
8th August	Ipswich Rovers 4 Bundamba Rangers 1	Bush Rats(won) Normans
29th August	Normans 2 Rosebanks 1	Bundamba Rangers 1 Normans 2
12th September (Final)	Ipswich Rovers 3 vs Normans 2	

Brisbane Charity Cup		
15th August	Bundamba Rangers 3 Rosebanks 3	Ipswich Rovers 3 Normans 2
22nd August	Bundamba Rangers 1Rosebanks 1	Ipswich Rovers(won) Normans
19th September	Rosebanks 1 Bundamba Rangers nil	
26TH September (Final)	Ipswich Rovers 3 Rosebanks 2	

1897 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup		
15th May	Bush Rats 2 Bundamba Rangers 3	Ipswich Rovers 3 Rosebanks 2
22nd May	Bush Rats 1 Ipswich Rovers 8	Bundamba Rangers 4 Normans 1
29th May	Ipswich Rovers 1 Bundamba Rangers 5	Rosebanks 9 Normans nil
12th June	Bundamba Rangers nil Rosebanks nil	Ipswich Rovers (won) Normans
19th June	Rosebanks 1 Normans nil	
26th June	Rosebanks 5 Normans nil	Bundamba Rangers 1 Ipswich Rovers 2
3rd July	Ipswich Rovers 5 Normans 1	
10th July	Rosebanks 5 Bundamba Rangers 2	
23rd July(Final)	Rosebanks 1 Ipswich Rovers nil	
Brisbane Charity Cup		
7th August	Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers(Forfeit)	
15th August	Ipswich Rovers(won) Normans Normans won the match but had an unregistered player	Bush Rats(Forfeii) Rosebanks
28th August (Final)	Rosebanks 4 Ipswich Rovers 2	

1898 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup			
27st May	Bush Rats(won) Rosebanks	Blackstone Rovers Normans(Forfeit)	Bundamba Rangers Bye
4th June	Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers (Not played, no referee)	Blackstone Rovers(won) Rosebanks	Normans Bye
11th June	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers 3	Bundamba Rangers 2 Normans 4	Rosebanks Bye
18th June	Bush Rats 8 Normans nil	Bundamba Rangers 6 Rosebanks 2	Blackstone Rovers Bye
25th June	Blackstone Rovers (won) Normans	Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers (won)	Rosebanks Bye
2nd July	Blackstone Rovers 5 Bundamba Rangers 1	Norman 1 Rosebanks 2	Bush Rats Bye
9th July	Bush Rats 2 Bundamba Rangers 1	Blackstone Rovers 5 Rosebanks nil	Normans Bye
20th August	Bush Rats Rosebanks *(Forfeit)	Bundamba Rangers 2 Normans 5	Blackstone Rovers Bye
30th August	Bush Rats Normans(Forfeit)	Blackstone Rovers 2 Bundamba Rangers 1	
5th September	Bush Rats(won) Bundamba Rangers	Blackstone Rovers 2 Normans 5	
10th September	Bush Rats(won) Blackstone Rovers		
17th September		Normans 2 Bundamba Rangers 3 (Blackstone Rovers withdrew)	
1st October(Final)	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers 1		
Brisbane Chrity Cup			
17th September	Bush Rats 10 Rosebanks nil	Bundamba Rangers 3 Normans 2	
24th September			
8th October (Final)	Bush Rats 3 Bundamba Rangers 3 (AET) A rematch was ordered but Bundamba Rangers could not play due to death of Rangers stalwart James Lindsay		

1899 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup		
17th June	Blackstone Rovers 2 North Brisbane 1	
24th June	Bush Rats 1 North Brisbane 0 (replay required as both teams violated rules)	Blackstone Rovers 7 s South Brisbane 1
1st July	Bush Rats 6 South Brisbane 1	
8TH July	Bush Rats 0 Blackstone Rovers 2	*North Brisbane South Brisbane
15th July	Blackstone Rovers 1 South Brisbane 1	
22nd July	Bush Rats 3 South Brisbane nil	Blackstone Rovers North Brisbane
5th August	*Bush Rats(won) North Brisbane (First Round undecided tie)	
12th August	*Bush Rats(Won)s North Brisbane	
19th August(Final)	Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 1	*North Brisbane vs South Brisbane

* No Result recorded

Ipswich and West Moreton		
3rd June	Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers 1	Bundamba Rangers(Bye)
10th June	Blackstone Rovers(won) Bundamba Rangers	Bush Rats (Bye)
	Bush Rats (won) Bundamba Rangers	Blackstone Rovers (Bye)
17th July	Bush Rats 3 Bundamba Rangers 5	Blackstone Rovers (Bye)
5th August	Blackstone Rovers Bundamba Rangers (won)	Bush Rats (Bye)
23rd September	Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers nil	Bundamba Rangers (Bye)
14th October(Final)	Bush Rats 3 Bundamba Rangers 1	

1900 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton	
17th June	Bush Rats(won) Bundamba Rangers
23rd June	Blackstone Rovers Bundamba Rangers(won)
30th June	Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 2
14th July	Blackstone Rovers (won)s Bundamba Rangers
28th July	Bush Rats nil Blackstone Rovers 2
4th August	Bush Rats 4 Bundamba Rangers nil
22nd September(Final)	Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers nil

Brisbane Challenge Cup	
7th July	Bush Rats(won) Bundamba Rangers
14th July	Bush Rats Thistles
21st July	Bundamba Rangers Thistles
4th August	Blackstone Rovers Thistles(Forfeit)
18th August	Bush Rats Blackstone Rovers
25th August	Bush Rats Thistles
1st September	Blackstone Rovers Thistles
8th September	Bush Rats Blackstone Rovers
6th October(Final)	Bush Rats 5 Blackstone Rovers 2

1901 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

2nd June	Bush Rats nil Rangers 2	Royals Bye
9th June	Bush Rats Bye	Rangers(won) Royals
16th June	Bush Rats(Lost) Royals	Rangers Bye
30th June	Bush Rats (won) Rangers	Royals Bye
21st July	Bush Rats 3 Rangers 1	
3rd August	Bush Rats (Forfeit) Royals	Rangers Bye
17th August	Bush Rats 4 Rangers 1	
31st August		Royals 4 Boovals Stars nil
5th September		Royals 2 Blackstone Rovers nil
21st September	Combined Juniors 5 Rangers 1	
5th October	Bush Rats 3 Royals nil	
12th October(Final)	Bush Rats 2 Combined Juniors 1	

Bush Rats finished on 8 points in a tie with Rangers.A further match was played which Bush Rats won 4-1

The Brisbane Challenge Cup was played for under a Knockout competition between Bush Rats,Rangers Royals and Combined Juniors

1902 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

23rd August	Bush Rats Rangers
30th August	Bush Rats 1 Eskgroves 1 (Friendly)
20th September	Bush Rats 2 Rangers nil

1903 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

2nd May	Bush Rats Royals(Replayed)	Brisbane City 1 Stars 7
23rd May	Brisbane City nil Eskgroves 1	
30th May	Stars 2 Royals 4	Bush Rats 3 Brisbane City nil
6th June	Bush Rats(won) Stars	Eskgroves 6 Royals 2
13th June	Royals 6 Brisbane City 2	
20st June	Bush Rats 2 Eskgroves 2	Royals 2 Brisbane City nil
27th June	Bush Rats Royals (Postponed)	Brisbane City Eskgroves(won)
11th July	Bush Rats 4 Eskgroves 1	Royals vs Stars (Draw)
25th July	Eskgroves 4 Stars 1	
1st August	Eskgroves 4 Royals 3	
8th August	Bush Rats 1 Royals nil	Brisbane City Stars(won)
15th August	Bush Rats nil Royals 1	
29th August	Bush Rats 2 Eskgroves 1	
3rd October(Final)	Bush Rats 1 Royals nil	

1904 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup

21st May	Bush Rsts 2 Reliance 3	Norman 3 Markets nil	Rovers B 10 Rangers nil	Rovers A(Forfeit) Milton
28th May	Bush Rats 7 Normans 1	Reliance 1s Markets nil	Rovers B 6 Milton nil	Rovers A(Forfeit) Rangers
4th June	Bush Rats 1 Milton 7	Reliance 5 Rovers A 1	Rovers B 1vs Normans 1	Rangers 2 Markets 1
18th June	Bush Rats(won) Rovers A	Rovers B (won) Markets	Rangers vs Reliance(won)	Normans 3 Milton nil
25th June	Bush Rats Markets(Draw)	Rovers A vs Normans(Draw)	Reliance 1 Rovers B nil	
2nd July	Bush Rats 4 Rangers 1	Reliance1 Normans nil	Markets 2 Milton nil	Rovers A nil Rovers B 3
16th July	Bush Rats 1 Rovers B nil	Rovers A 4 Markets 1	Reliance 5 Miltons nil	Normans 4 vs Rangers 1
30th July(Semi Finals)	Bush Rats 3 Normans 1	Reliance nil Rovers B nil		
6th August	Reliance 1 Rovers B 1			
13th August(Semi Final)	Reliance 2 Rovers B 1			
*10th September (Final)	Bush Rats 1 Rovers B 3			

1905 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup		
3rd June	Miltons 1 Normans nil	Wellington 2 Eskgroves 2
10th June	Wellington 2 Milton 1	Normans 1 Eskgroves 2
17th June	Normans 1 Wellington 1	Eskgrove nil Milton nil
24th June	Miltons Normans	Wellington 1 Eskgroves 1
1st July	Wellington nil Milton 1	Normans 1 Eskgroves 1
8th July	Eskgrove nil Milton 4	Normans 1 Wellington 1
15th July (Final)	Eskgrove nil Wellington 1	
Ipswich and West Moreton		
	Bush Rats Blackstone Rovers(Won)	Bundamba Rangers Montes
	Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers (Draw)	Blackstone Rovers Montes (Won)
5th August	Bush Rats Montes	Blackstone Rovers 2 Bundamba Rangers nil
9th September(Semi final)	Blackstone Rovers l Montes 2	Bush Rats(won) Bundamba Rangers
16TH September(Final)	Bush Rats 1 Montes nil	
Brisbane Charity Cup		
22nd July	Eskgrove 1 nil Wellington 2	
29th July	Eskgrove Milton	
5th August	Wellington 2 Milton 1	
9th September (Final)	Wellington 1 Milton nil	

1907 Ipswich Cantle Badges

12th October (Cantle Badges)	Bush Rats Blackstone Rovers (abandoned)
19th October	Blackstone Rovers 3 Bundamba Rangers nil
26th October	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers 1
9th November	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers 1
14th December(Final Cantle Badges)	Blackstone Rovers 2 Bundamba Rangers 1 (Rangers left the field before fulltime)

19th December *Queensland Times*

A meeting of the West Moreton Football Association was held at Bundamba, on Tuesday last. The matter of the Rangers team leaving the field in the course of the match between them and the Rovers team for the Hasking badges, was considered, and, after discussion, it was decided to award the match to the Rovers.

Brisbane Challenge Cup

15th June	Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers	Blackstone Rovers Wellington	Eskgroves Milton
22nd June	Bush Rats Milton	Blackstone Rovers Eskgroves	Bundamba Rangers Wellington
29th June	Bush Rats Eskgroves	Blackstone Rovers Bundamba Rangers	Milton Wellington
20th July	Bush Rats 2 Bundamba Rangers 2	Blackstone Rovers 1 Milton 1	Eskgroves Wellington
27th July	Bush Rats 9 Milton 1	Blackstone Rovers Eskgroves	Bundamba Rangers Wellington
3Rd August	Bush Rats Eskgroves	Blackstone Rovers Bundamba Rangers	Milton Wellington
10th August	Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers 5	Bundamba Rangers Milton	
24th August	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers nil	Blackstone Rovers Wellington	Eskgroves Milton
22nd September(Final)	Bush Rats nil Blackstone Rovers 1		

* No reporting for matches this year

1908 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

27th June	Bush Rats 2 Bundamba Rangers 1	Blackstone Rovers 8 Silkstone Montes
4th July	Bush Rats Silkstone Montes(draw)	
11th July	Blackstone Rovers 5 Bundamba Rangers 2	
18TH July	Bush Rats nil Bundamba Rangers 1	Blackstone Rovers Silkstone Montes(Forfeit)
25th July	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers 1	
1th August	Blackstone Rovers 2 Bundamba Rangers 2(replay ordered)	
18th August	Blackstone Rovers 5 Bundamba Rangers 2	
29th August	Bush Rats 3 vs Bundamba Rangers 1	
9th October(Badges Final)	Blackstone Rovers 2 Bundamba Rangers 1	

1909 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton			
29th May	Bush Rats Rangers (Not played)	Reliance 3 Railways 1	Blackstone Rovers Bye
5th June	Bush Rats 4 Reliance 1	Blackstone Rovers 4 Rangers 1	Railways Bye
12th June	Bush Rats 3 Blackstone Rovers 1	Rangers 3 Railways 2	Reliance Bye
26th June	Bush Rats(won) Railways	Blackstone Rovers (won) Reliance	Rangers Bye
3rd July	Bush Rats nil Rangers nil	Blackstone Rovers 1 Railways nil	
10th July	Bush Rats1 Rangers 2	Railways Reliance(Forfeit)	Blackstone Rovers Bye
17th July	Bush Rats Reliance(washed out)	Blackstone Rovers Rangers(washed out)	Railways Bye
24th July	Bush Rats 2 Blackstone Rovers 3	Railways(Forfeit)Rangers	Reliance Bye
7th August		Blackstone Rovers 1 Railways nil	Bush Rats Bye
Brisbane Challenge Cup			
22nd May	Eskgrove 3 Valley 1		
26th June	Eskgrove 6 Valley nil		
3rd July	Milton Wellington		
10th July	Eskgrove 2 Milton 1		
24th July	Eskgroves 5 Woodeville 1		
31st July (Semi Final)	Eskgroves 1 Wellington 1		
14th August (Final)	Wellington 5 Western Suburbs(Toowoomba)		
Brisbane Charity Cup			
7th August	Bush Rats 4 Valley nil	Wellington 5 Woodeville 1	
21st August	Bush Rats 3 Wellington 1		
28TH August (Final)	Bush Rats 3 Eskgroves 2		

1910 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup			
16th April	Bush Rats 9 Milton 1	Bulimba Rangers Valley(won)	
30th April		Valley 6 Woodville nil	Bulimba Rangers Milton(won)
7th May	Bush Rats 1 Bulimba Rangers 2	Wellington(won) Eskgrove	
14th May	Bush Rats 8 Valley nil	Eskgrove 2 Bulimba Rangers nil	
21st May	Bush Rats 5 Eskgrove 1	Milton Valley(won)	Bulimba Rangers 3 Wellington nil
28th May	Bush Rats 10 Woodville nil	Milton nil Wellington 4	
3rd June	Bush Rats 3 Wellington nil	Eskgrove Valley (Draw)	Woodville Bulimba Rangers(Won
17th June		Wellington 3 Valley1	Woodville(won) Milton
26th June	Bush Rats Bulimba Rangers (Washed out)	Eskgrove 8 Milton nil	Wellington 5 Woodville nil
2nd July	Bush Rats Mlton(Forfeit)	Bulimba Rangers nil Eskgrove nil	Valley Woodville not played
9th July	Bush Rats 1 Eskgrove 3	Bulimba Rangers 2 Wellington nil	Milton 3 Valley 3
16th July	Bush Rats 11 Woodville nil	Bulimba Rangers 7 Valley 2	Milton nil Wellington 8
23nd July	Bush Rats 1 Wellington 1	Eskgrove 7 Valley 1	Bulimba Rangers 6 Woodville 1
29th July	Bush Rats Valley(Forfeit)	Eskgrove 1 Wellington 1	Milton(Forfeit) Woodeville
13th August (Final)	Bush Rats 3 Bulimba Rangers 1		
Brisbane Charity Cup			
20th August	Bush Rats 2 Eskgrove 1	Wellington Woodville(Forfeit)	Bulimba Rangers (Forfeit) Valley
27th August	Bush Rats 7 Valley nil		
3rd September	Bush Rats 2 Wellington 2		
10th September (Final)	Bush Rats 1 Wellington nil		

1910 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

21st May	Rangers 2 Montes 3
28th May	Montes 1 Booval Stars 2
4th June	Booval Stars 3 Rangers 1
18th June	Rangers 2 Montes 1
2nd July	Booval Stars 2 Rangers 2
9th July	Booval Stars 4 Montes 1

1911 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup

(First Round)

6th May	Bush Rats 2 Eskgroves 2	Bundamba Rangers 1 Ipswich Railways nil Bulimba Rangers 13 Milton nil	Valley nil Wellington 1
13th May	Bush Rats nil Wellington 3	Bundamba Rangers 5 Bulimba Rangers 1 Eskgrove Valley(Postponed)	Ipswich Railways 3 Milton 1
20th May	Bush Rats 7 Valley nil	Bulimba Rangers 5 Ipswich Railways 1 Eskgrove nil Wellington 4	Bundamba Rangers 5 Milton nil
27th May	Bush Rats nil Bulimba Rangers 1	Ipswich Railways 1 Valley 3 Eskgrove 4 Milton nil	Bundamba Rangers Wellington(won)
3rd June	Bush Rats(won) Milton	Ipswich Railways nil Wellington 4 Eskgrove 1 Bulimba Rangers 6	Bundamba Rangers 7 Valley 3
10th June	Bush Rats 2 Bundamba Rangers 3	Bulimba Rangers 6 Wellington 2 *Valley Milton	Eskgroves 2 Ipswich Railways 2
17th June	Bush Rats 8 Ipswich Railways nil	Milton nil Wellington 14 Bulimba Rangers 2 Valley 2	Bundamba Rangers 7 Eskgrove nil

1911 Matches

(Second Round)

24th June	Bush Rats 6 Eskgroves nil	Bundamba Rangers(Won) Ipswich Railways Bulimba Rangers(Won) Milton	Valley 1 Wellington 4
1st July	Bush Rats 4 Wellington nil	Bundamba Rangers nil Bulimba Rangers 2 Eskgrove nil Valley 1	Ipswich Railways 3 Milton 3
8th July	Bush Rats 3 Valley 3	Bundamba Rangers 2 Milton 1 Eskgrove nil Wellington 1	Bulimba Rangers 5 Ipswich Railways 2
15th July	Bush Rats 2 Bulimba Rangers 2 (Game abandoned and then replay forfeited)	Eskgrove 4 Milton nil *Ipswich Railways Valley	Bundamba Rangers 3 Wellington 4
22nd July	Bush Rats Milton(Forfeit)	Bundamba Rangers 4 Valley 1 Eskgrove nil Bulimba Rangers 7	Ipswich Railways nil Wellington 7
29th July	Bush Rats(Forfeit) Bundamba Rangers	*Eskgroves Ipswich Railways *Valley Milton	Bulimba Rangers 1 Wellington
5th August	*Bush Rats Ipswich Railways	Milton 1 Wellington 2 Bulimba Rangers (Won)Valley	Bundamba Rangers 4 Eskgrove 1
Brisbane Charity Cup			
12th August		Eskgrove 1 Bundamba Rangers 1	Milton Bye
19th August	Eskgrove nil Bulimba Rangers 2	Milton nil Wellington 2	
2nd September (Final)	Bulimba Rangers 6 Wellington 1		

*Result not known

1912 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup
(Round 1)

4th May	Bush Rats(Won) Toowong	Bulimba Rangers 5 Albion nil Wellington(Won) Ipswich Railways	Eskgrove(Won) Valley	Blackstone Rovers (Bye)
11th May	Bush Rats 5 Ipswich Railways 1	Blackstone Rovers 4 Valleys 2	Toowong(Won) Wellington Albion Eskgrove(Won)	Bulimba Rangers
18th May	Bush Rats 3 Wellington nil	Blackstone Rovers 3 Eskgroves 3 Ipswich Workshops 3 Toowong 3	Bulimba Rangers (Won)Valley	Albion(Bye)
25th May	Bush Rats 3 Valley nil	Blackstone Rovers 3 Ipswich Railways 1	Albion (Won)Wellington Bulimba Rangers(Won) Toowong	Eskgrove(Bye)
1st June	Bush Rats nil Eskgroves nil	Bulimba Rangers 5 Ipswich Workshops nil Blackstone Rovers 3 Wellington 2	Albion Toowong(Won)	Valley(Bye)
8th June		Blackstone Rovers 7 Albion 1 Bulimba Rangers (Won) Eskgroves	Wellington Valley(Won) Ipswich Railways Toowong((Draw)	Bush Rats(Bye)
15th June	Bush Rats nil Bulimba Rangers 4	Blackstone Rovers 3 Toowong nil	Albion nil Valley 1 Eskgrove nil Wellington 1	Ipswich Railway(Bye)
22nd June	Bush Rats(Won) Albion	Blackstone Rovers 2 Bulimba Rangers 2	Toowong Valley(Won) Eskgrove Ipswich Railways (Won)	Wellington (Bye)
6th July	Bush Rats Blackstone Rovers(Draw)	Bulimba Rangers (Won)Wellington	Albion (Won) Ipswich Railways Valley Eskgrove(Draw)	Toowong

1912 Matches

(Round 2)

13th July	Bush Rats 1 Toowong 5	Bulimba Rangers 1 Albion nil Eskgrove 1 Valleys 2	Wellington 3 Ipswich Railways 1	Blackstone Rovers (Bye)
20th July	*Bush Rats Ipswich Railways	Blackstone Rovers 6 Valleys 1	Albion 2 Eskgrove 1 Toowong 1 Wellington 2	Bulimba Rangers
27th July	Bush Rats nil Wellington 2	*Ipswich Workshops Toowong Bulimba Rangers 6 Valley 1	Blackstone Rovers 3 Eskgroves nil	Albion(Bye)
3rd August	*Bush Rats Valleys	Blackstone Rovers Ipswich Railways (Draw)	Albion 2 Wellington 4 Bulinba Rangers 2 Toowong 1	Eskgrove(Bye)
17th August		Bulimba Rangers (Won) Eskgroves	*Wellington Valley	
24th August	*Bush Rats Eskgroves	Bulimba Rangers (Won) Ipswich Workshops Blackstone Rovers 1 Wellington nil	*Albion Toowong	Valley(Bye)
31st August	Bush Rats nil Bulimba Rangers nil	Blackstone Rovers(Won) Toowong	*Albion Valley *Eskgrove Wellington	Ipswich Railway
7th September	Bush Rats 2 Albion 4	Blackstone Rovers 3 Bulimba Rangers 1	*Toowong Valley Eskgrove 3 Ipswich Railways nil	Wellington (Bye)
14th September	Bush Rats nil Blackstone Rovers 4	Bulimba Rangers Wellington(Draw)	*Albion Ipswich Railways *Valley Eskgrove	Toowong
21st September		Blackstone Rovers 10 Albion Nil		

*No result recorded

1913 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

10th May	Bush Rats 2 Ipswich City nil	Blackstone Rovers 1 Bundamba Rangers 1	Goodna 2 St Stephens nil
17th May	Bush Rats(won)Goodna	Blackstone Rovers 2 St Stephens nil	Bundamba Rangers nil Ipswich City 2 (replay ordered
24th May	Bush Rats 1 Blackstone Rovers 3	Ipswich City St Stephens(draw)	Bundamba Rangers(won)Goodna
28th June	Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers (draw)	Blackstone Rovers 3 Goodna nil	Ipswich City St Stephens (draw)
5th July	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers 2	Goodna 1 Ipswich City 2	
12th July	Bush Rats 3 Goodna nil	Bundamba Rangers 1 St Stephens 2	Blackstone Rovers nil Ipswich City nil
19th July	Bush Rats 1 St Stephens 1	Blackstone Rovers Bundamba Rangers(won)	Goodna 1 Ipswich City 2
9th August	Bush Rats(won) Blackstone Rovers	Bundamba Rangers 3 St Stephens nil	Goodna 1 Ipswich City nil
30th August	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers 2	Blackstone Rovers(won) Ipswich City	Goodna 2 St Stephens nil
7th September	Bush Rats 1 St Stephens nil	Blackstone Rovers 3 Goodna nil	Bundamba Rangers(won) Ipswich City
Charity Cup			
16th August	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers nil		
14th September	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers nil	Goodna(forfeit) St Stephens	
28th September	Bush Rats 5 St Stephens nil		
Final	Bush Rats Blackstone Rovers(won)		

1913 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup

3rd May	Toowong 6 YMCA 1	Bulimba Rangers(won) Eskgroves Albion 3 Corinthians nil	Australian Meat Works nil Wellington 7
10th May	Eskgrove 2 Corinthiams nil	Bulimba Rangers Wellington(draw)	Albion Toowong (won)
17th May	Bulimba Rangers Corinthians (Abandoned)	Eskgrove 3 YMCA 1 Australian Meat Works 3 Toowong 7	Albion 3 Wellington 3
24th May	Bulimba Rangers(won)YMCA	Eskgrove Toowong (draw)	Corinthians Wellington(won)
14th June		Albion Eskgrove(won)	Wellington(won) YMCA
21st June	Albion 9 YMCA nil	Eskgrove 1 Wellington 4 Corinthians Toowong (washed out)	Australian Meat Works(Forfeit) Bulimba Rangers
28th June	Toowong 2 YMCA 1	Bulimba Rangers 3 Eskgrove 1	Albion 2 Corinthians 2
5th July	Eskgrove 1 Corinthiams 2	Bulimba Rangers 1 Wellington 2	Albion 9 Toowong nil
12th July	Bulimba Rangers 3 Corinthians 1	Eskgrove 6 YMCA nil	Albion 2 Wellington 6
19th July	Bulimba Rangers 7 YMCA 1	Eskgrove 1 Toowong nil	Corinthians 1 Wellington 11
26th July	Bulimba Rangers 3 Toowng1	Albion 2 Eskgrove 2	Wellington 6 YMCA 3
2nd August	Toowong 4 Wellington 3	Corinthians 3 YMCA 1	Bulimba Rangers 3 Albion 1
9th August	Albion 3 YMCA nil	Eskgrove 1 Wellington nil	Corinthians 1 Toowong 1
23rd August	Bulimba Rangers 2 Corinthians 1		
30th August	Corinthians 2 Toowong 1		
Brisbane Charity Cup			
30th August		Albion 3 Eskgroves 2	

1914 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup

16th May	Towong Caledonians 2 Albion 1	
23rd May	Toowong Caledonians 3 Wellington 2	
30th May	Albion 4 Bulimba Rangers 2	Corinthians 3 Toowong Caledonians 1
13th June	Albion 4 Eskgroves 1	
27th June	Bulimba Rangers nil Toowong Caledonians 2	
4th July	Albion 1 Toowong Caledonians 4	
18th July	Wellington nil Toowong Caledonians nil	
25th July	Toowong Caledonians 3 Corinthians nil	Bulimba Rangers Albion
22nd August	Toowong Caledonians 2 Bulimba Rangers 1	
29th August	Toowong Caledonians 2 Eskgroves nil	
12th September	Toowong Caledonians 2 Corinthians 1	
Brisbane Charity Cup		
13th June	Toowong Caledonians nil Bulimba Rangers nil	
29th August	Toowong Caledonians 2 Eskgroves nil	
12th September (Final)	Toowong Caledonians 2 Corinthians 1	

1914 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

Challenge Cup		
18th April	Bush Rats nil Bundamba Rangers 2	Ipswich City 2 St Stephens 3 Goodna 4 Booval 1
25th April	Bush Rats 5 Ipswich City nil	Booval 2 St Stephens 2 Bundamba Rangers 1 Ipswich City 1
16th May	Bush Rats 1 Booval nil	Bundamba Rangers 2 St Stephens nil Goodna 2 Ipswich City nil
30th May	Bush Rats 2 St Stephens nil	Bundamba Rangers 1 Goodna nil Booval 1- Ipswich City nil
6th June	Bush Rats 1 Bundamba Rangers 1	Ipswich City 6 St Stephens 1 Goodna nil Booval 2
20th June	Bush Rats 5 Ipswich City nil	Goodna 1 St Stephens 2 Bundamba Rangers 2 Booval 1
27th June	Bush Rats nil Goodna nil	Booval 2 St Stephens 1 Bundamba Rangers 2 Ipswich City nil
18th July	Bush Rats 3 St Stephens 1	Bundamba Rangers 2 Goodna nil Booval 3 Ipswich City 2
25th July	Bush Rats nil Booval 1	Bundamba Rangers 1 St Stephens nil Goodna 1 Ipswich City 2
22nd August	Bush Rats 1 Goodna nil	Bundamba Rangers 6 Ipswich City 1 Booval 2 St Stephens nil
Charity Cup		
29th August	Bush Rats nil Bundamba Rangers 2	Ipswich City 2 Booval nil
12th September (Final	Ipswich City 1 Bundamba Rangers nil	

1915 Matches

Ipswich and West Moreton

24th April	Bush Rats 4 St Stephens 1	Bundamba Rangers 1 Ipswich City nil Blackstone Rovers 3 Goodna 2
1st May	Bush Rats nil Blackstone Rovers 2	Bundamba Rangers nil Goodna 2 Ipswich City 1 St Stephens nil
8th May	Bush Rats Ipswich City (Postponed)	Bundamba Rangers 2- Blackstone Rovers 2 Goodna 4 St Stephens 5
29th May	* Bush Rats Bundamba Rangers (won)	Blackstone Rovers 2 St Stephens 1 Ipswich City 3 Goodna nil
5th June	Bush Rats 4 Goodna 1	St Stephens nil Bundamba Rangers 2 Blackstone Rovers 2 Ipswich City 2
19th June	Bush Rats 2 St Stephens 1	Bundamba Rangers 1 Ipswich City 1 Blackstone Rovers 2 Goodna nil
26th June		Bundamba Rangers Goodna draw St Stephens nil Ipswich City 1
10th July	*Bush Rats Ipswich City (Postponed)	Bundamba Rangers nil Blackstone Rovers 1 Goodna 6 St Stephens nil
17th July	Bush Rats 2 Bundamba Rangers nil	Blackstone Rovers 4 St Stephens nil Ipswich City 1 Goodna 3
31st July	Bush Rats Goodna (Draw)	St Stephens Bundamba Rangers (not played) Blackstone Rovers 2 Ipswich City 1
14th August	Bush Rats nil Blackstone Rovers nil	As Blackstone Rovers could not be overtaken for the premiership the remaining matches were not played
Challenge Cup (Final)	Bush Rats (won) Blackstone players absent to honour WW1 Veterans	
Charity Cup Final	Bush Rats 5 Goodna 2	

1915 Matches

Brisbane Challenge Cup

1st May	Brisbane City 4 Wellington nil	Eskgroves 2 Queens Park 4 Bulimba Rangers 1 Corinthians nil
8th May	Queens Park 1 Bulimba Rangers 2	Brisbane City 2- Corinthians 2 Wellington nil- Eskgroves nil
15th May	Brisbane City 1 Eskgrove 3	Wellington nil Bulimba Rangers 7 Corinthians 3 Queens Park 2
22nd May	Brisbane City 1 Queens Park 1	Eskgroves 2- Bulimba Rangers 2 Wellington 2- Corinthians 4
29th May	Brisbane City 3 Bulimba Rangers nil	Queens Park 1- Wellington nil Eskgroves nil- Corinthians nil
19th June	Bulimba Rangers 2 Queens Park 2	Corinthians 4- Brisbane City 1 Eskgroves 1 Wellington 1
10th July	Bulimba Rangers 2 Brisbane City 1	Corinthians 2 Eskgroves nil Wellington nil- Queens Park 4
17th July	Brisbane City 1 Wellington 1	Corinthians 1 Bulimba Rangers nil Queens Park 3- Eskgroves nil
24th July	Bulimba Rangers 1 Wellington 3	Brisbane City 1 Eskgroves nil Queens Park nil- Corinthians 1
31st July	Queens Park 1- Brisbane City 2	Bulimba Rangers 3 Eskgroves nil Corinthians 3- Wellington nil
Brisbane Charity Cup		
21st August	Brisbane City Queens Park	Corinthians Eskgrove
Final	Brisbane City 4 Eskgrove 1	

Player	Premierships	Player	Premierships	Player	Premierships	Player	Premierships
Arthur Wilson	11	Arthur Verrall	4	David Frankand	2	Charles Gooch	1
Edward Hawkins	11	William Jeffrey	4	Owen Coleman	2	ArthurShearer	1
Thomas Young	9	James Lucas	4	William Lindsay	2	A McRea	1
Herb Verrall	9	Martin Randolph	4	James Burns	2	A Hood	1
Henry Skellern	8	Harry Brittain	4	William Tait	2	Michael Egan	1
Joe Skellern	7	Matthew Bailey	4	Thomas Stewart	2	David Lilley	1
Sydney Skellern	7	William Bailey	4	Alex Jeffrey	1	Michael Devereaux	1
James Tedman	7	George Duck	4	William Duck	1	Matthew Powell	1
James Campbell	6	James Jordan	3	R Lee	1	Thomas Bennet	1
William Dawes	6	W Lucas	3	H Stewart	1	Eli Jones	1
Jack Routledge	6	Jack Jeffrey	3	James Muir	1	Frederick Jordan	1
Ernie Verrall	5	Victor Bognuda	3	Robert Price	1	J Smith	1
Arthur Tedman	5	Alec Stewart	3	James Hughes	1	W Thompson	1
Robert Jeffrey	5	Alex Campbell	3	James Atterton	1	George Humphrey	1
Joe Jeffrey	5	Robert Campbell	3	James Mitchell	1	Henry Randolph	1
William Potts	5	John Besgrove	3	Charles Gooch	1	* George Law	1
Albert Jordan	5	Thomas Hudson	3	William Caddies	1	William Rolls,	1
xGarnet Burns	5	James Jackson	3	JackWhalley	1	Joseph Jordan	1
William Wright	5	Edward Shearer	3	Edward Hudson	1	William Halls	1
Herman Pioch	4	John Campbell	2	William Hudson	1	William Jordan	1

*Won Premiership with Blackstone Rovers in 1904 x Won Premiership with Blackstone Rovers in 1912

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