-1912-

St Helens Football Club

Winners Hetherington Cup

St Helens 2 defeated Bundamba Athletic 1 (Scorers Tom Wade, Sydney Skellern)

Back row: Harry Green, William Lindsay, Jack Besgrove (Vice President) Clarence Perrett, Alfred Heaton

Middle row: Robert Sparks, Sydney Skellern, William B Jeffery, Robert Tait, William Rossner, Fred Weatherhog

Front row: Jas Williams (V-P) Harry Mills, William Potts (President) George Spark (Captain) John Stafford (Patron) Charles Livermore, Aaron Noble (V-P)

Sitting: Jim Williams (Secretary) William Breslin Insets: William Warrell, Thomas Wade

-1914-

St Helens Junior Football Club

Premiers I & W.M.B.F.A

Back row: P Hudson,W M G Routledge,Peter Jeffrey,Robert Spark

Second row: Fred Weatherhog,Alexander Allen,Albert Shearer (Vice President) J Williams (Vice President) J W Smith,A McAllan

Front row: William F McRea (Vice Pres) Walter Pioch,H Humphrey (Vice Pres) George Spark (Captain) Martin Miller (Vice President) Ernest Skellern,O Stafford (Patron)

Bottom row:Harry Mills,Eric Nunn

Inset: Jas Lindsay,Hon J W Blair (MLA) (Vice President) William Warrell

-1922-

St Helens Junior Football Club

Winners of Nissen and Green Cups

Back row(L-R) James Kenny, William Skellern, Herbert Poulton

Second row- Dave Waugh, Walter Weatherhog, Euston Noble (Vice-President) Aeron Noble (President) Jack Creighton, Alfred Bucknall

Sitting- Aaron Noble Jr (Hon Secretary) R Burns, R Hamilton (Captain) Norman Kruger, Fred Weatherhog (Vice-President)

In front- George Rule Inset- James Stirling (Treasurer)

-1924-

St Helens

Winners of Brook Challenge Cup

Back Row,Richard Noble,William Stirling,Joseph McRea,Thomas Everding.Peter Jeffrey (Committee)

Second Row:David Waugh (Secretary) Ron Skellern,Robert Hamilton (Committee) Archibald Poulton (Committee) P Green,Norman Kruger(Treasurer)

Sitting:Dan Potts (President) L Harris,Alec Kitching,EricPetie (Captain) Col Warrell (Vice Captain) Arty Edwards,William McRea (Patron)

Front Row: James Henderson

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-1924-
St Helen's Junior Football Club
Premiers

Back row-William Sander
Second row(L-R) George Sparks,Richard Noble,Herbert Poulton
Third row- William Skellern,William F McCrea,Peter Jeffery,Norman Kruger(Treas) Jim Webb,David Waugh (Secretary)
Sitting- William McCrea (Patron) Peter Noble,Walter Weatherhog,Robert Hamilton (Captain) Archibald Poulton (Vice-Captain) Percy Kruger, Dan Potts (President)
Front row- John Bucknall,Edward Bucknall

Source Picture Ipswich

-1963-

Ipswich Schoolboys

No order: John Beikoff,Doug Dann (St Helens) John Dann (St Helens) Bruce Dobbie,Ken McClean (Captain) (St Helens)
Norm Podlich (St Helens,Barry Stone,John Tracey Patte (St Helens) Alex Gibb (St Helens) Ken Murray (St Helens)
Coach Alan McClean

-1963-

Queensland Under 14

Schoolboys

(Ipswich) Alan Raymond (St Helens) Tony Butcher (St Helens) John Gemmell (St Helens) G Evans, Wayne Walker, Ray Newton (Brisbane) R Hamilton, Ron Millman, R Vann, J Cornford, Ian Perry (Captain) H Stewart, L Howe, (Bundaberg) C Ross, M Richter

-1963-

Queensland State Schools Soocer Football Association

(Under 14)

Back Row L-R:C Ross,Alan Raymond, R Vann

Middle Row: Greg Evans, Wayne Walker,M Richter, R Hamilton,L Howe John Gemmell,Ray Newton

Front Row: Harry Lining (Sec) Tony Butcher,Ron Millman(Vice Captain) I Perry (Captain) J Cornford, H Stewart,Robert Lawrie (Pres)

-1963-

Queensland under 16

Back row: Brian Mcpherson, John Verrall (St Helens) George Whitaker, Wally Kitching, Jan Meertens (St Helens)
Bruce Parkes, Don Bowers, Roland Hovey, Frank Snowden
Front Row: Barry Roser, Barry Burren, Ian Davis, M Davies, Keith Rigby, Jeff Kreigher

-1966-

Under 9 Zone 1 Premiers

No oreder:Eric Gardner,Greg Kitching,Russell Pitcairn,Jeff Williams
Larry Norman,Ross Norman,Lindsay Woods,Llewellyn,John Norman (Coach)

-1966-

Under 12

Bruce Bailey,Neville Cruickshanks,Gary Merritt,Kevin Keidge,Benny Jimmnick,Greg Habborow,Keith Greenwood

1966

Ipswich Gino Paris Cup Team

Back - Mr D Harper (Manager)

Back Row (L to R) - Gary Edwards, Neville Kathage, Trevor Broadbent, Peter Harnden, Graeme Livermore, Allan Friese, Peter Gemmell

Front Row (L to R) - Gary Conroy, Greg Caldwell, Tony Kassambos, Ross Smith, Errol Evans, Kerry Taylor, Lance Siedofsky

Coached by Bob Lawrie

St Helens Stewart Shield Winners

Anthony Butcher,R Bullock,Doug Dann,Bruce Dobbie,Greg Evans
Alex Gibb,John Gemmell,Graham Hillard,Glen McKeand,Ray Newton,Ken Murray,Alan Raymond,Noel Scudds

-1967-
St Helens
Under 13

-1967-

St Helens

Under 12

No order: Gary Leo, Trevor Broadbent, Chris Gay, Keith Walker, David Phie
Gary Kathage, Mark Gillespie, Ross Norman, Steve McDowall, Greg Dobbie, Rick Kitching

AMPOL CUP TO SAINTS'

It was Col Kitching's "proudest day"

(By A.B.)

"It was the proudest day of my life" — This is how St. Helens United Captain-Coach Col Kitching, said he felt after leading his team to victory in last Sunday's Ampol Cup final.

And well he might feel proud because every team member rose to the occasion and played his part in winning the handsome trophy and the major prizemoney for his club.

But Col was the hero of the day. Playing at his brilliant best, he annihilated the opposition to score three great goals and inspired his team to the utmost efforts.

With Saints leading 4-2 and 10 minutes of the game left, this player who had made all the difference to what, without him, would have been a different result, was injured and left the ground in an ambulance.

For him the game was over, but his interest in it had not waned. He had the ambulance attendant park on an eminence near the Brisbane General Hospital overlooking the Exhibition Ground. From there he could see only the goalkeepers.

COL KITCHING

He heard no full-time whistle but knew the game was over without any alteration to the score when the keepers simultaneously left the field. The joy of victory salved the pain of broken ribs.

BEST PERFORMANCE

Although Col was pleased with his form in that match, he rates his game for Queensland against Hearts of Midlothian as his best performance ever, and those who saw our State side draw 3-all with the famous Scottish team will not soon forget the great game he played and the two brilliant goals he scored to give the visitors their only reverse in their tour of Australia.

Col played in three Tests against Hearts, but these were not his first matches for Australia as he had previously represented his country against South Africa and India.

This player, who must rate as one of our all-time greats, started his Soccer career at Bundamba School from which he first represented Queensland. He played with Bundamba Rangers as a junior and soon gained State representation in this division.

Near the end of the 1951 season the senior selectors recognised his potential and he was promoted from the junior ranks.

TO BLACKSTONE

The following year, he was a regular member of the first division senior team and was selected in a State side.

In 1953 he switched his allegiance to Blackstone Rovers and that season the "Black and Reds" won every competition on the calendar.

Col was one of the many players who made an exodus from Ipswich to Brisbane clubs and he joined Hellenic from St. Helens, with whom he was playing at the time.

With other top Ipswich players to strengthen their ranks, Hellenic soon became the top club in the State and Col Kitching led them to five successive Ampol Cup victories.

He rates the teams of those years the best he has ever played with. Some of the players have retired but others are still making their presence felt on the Soccer scene.

Brian Topfer, Duncan McKenna and Les McCrea all transferred to St. Helens four years ago to drag the club out of the mire of second division, the only newcomer to the Greens being Topfer, whose club allowed him to go with his mates without a transfer fee — a tribute to Hellenic who had more than fulfilled their agreements with the ex-St. Helens players.

Other players of the Hellenic hey-day were "Nobby" Clarke, Jim McCarthy, Frank Thehu, "Lucky" Tsombaras, Graham Kitching, Julio Vincre, "Chook" Vogler, Graham McMillan and Andy Tsombaras.

BIG DIFFERENCE

There can be no doubt that the return of their former players and the addition of Brian Topfer made a world of difference to St. Helens. They emerged from obscurity and have since remained in first division.

They further strengthened their standing by amalgamation with Redbank-Dinmore from whom they gained some valuable team members.

Topfer and McCrea have retired but Col Kitching and Duncan McKenna, who have proved that they are far from being "over the hill," will play on.

Let us pay a tribute to this grand man of Soccer, Col Kitching, a Queensland, Australian and Olympic representative, who is still carrying on the good work and has made sure that the famous name of Kitching will go on with three sons, Ricky (12), Ross (8) and John (5), and not forgetting daughter Colleen (12), who is Dad's greatest supporter.

COALSTARS PLAYED WELL

Coalstars were gallant in defeat against St. Helens United in the Ampol Cup final last Sunday and will have their chance to further boost the stocks of Ipswich Soccer when they meet Hollandia in their semi-final of the Federation Championship at the Exhibition Ground on Sunday.

This match will start at 1 p.m. and will be a curtain-raiser to the other semi-final between premiership winners, Latrobe, and Hellenic at 2.45 p.m.

Coalstars have been plagued by injuries this season and lost the services of wing-halves Bruce Parkes and Col Smith at a time when they had high hopes of winning both the premiership and the Ampol Cup.

They had another reverse last Sunday when international goalkeeper Ross Kelly suffered a shoulder injury which looks certain of putting him out of this week's game.

The role of custodian will, no doubt, fall on the shoulders of Cec Anderson, who substituted for Ross in the concluding stages of last Sunday's game.

Cec is a worthy substitute, as he was one of our top keepers a few years ago and has been playing impressively in Reserve grade games.

AHERN MAY PLAY

Coalstars' team will not be selected until tonight. It is unlikely that there will be any other alteration in the team that played Saints, but Brad Ahern, who has been showing good form, could easily make the grade for this all-important match.

Merton had no difficulty in downing Hollandia 4-1 last Sunday, which must lower Hollandia's stocks a great deal for their semi-final match.

If Coalstars stick to their usual style of speed and tenacity, which I think they will on this occasion, they will emerge victorious. They are my selection to win and so contest the preliminary final next week.

Early in the season I tipped Hellenic to win the premiership. They could only finish second but could have their chance for revenge this week.

The winner of the Latrobe-Hellenic game will go straight into the grand final.

Next week the loser will play the winner of the Coalstars - Hollandia game and the victors on that occasion will be the other contestants for the grand final.

On Saturday at Bundamba at 2.45 p.m. Coalstars reserves will play Latrobe in a preliminary final. The winners will play in the grand final against Grange-Thistle the following week.

JUNIOR SOCCER

In the Stewart Shield junior Soccer competition, St. Helens under 11 had an easy win over Annerley under 21 in their first round match.

Inside-left Lex Gibb was in fine form and netted five goals. John Belkoff scored two and Glen McKeand one in the final score of 8-2.

Saints' defence repelled Annerley's attacks and sent their own forwards in

under 12 v. Oxley B at Blackstone at 11.45 a.m.; under 13 v. Easts Aston - Villa at Heath Park at noon; under 16 v. Mt. Gravatt at Blackstone at 2.30 p.m.

St. Helens fixtures are: Under nine v. Mt. Gravatt at Ebbw Vale at 10 a.m.; under 10 v. Mt. Gravatt B at Ebbw Vale at 10.50 a.m.; under 12 v. Annerley A at Ebbw Vale at 11.45 a.m.; under 13 v. Oxley at the Exhibition Ground at 2.15 p.m.; under 16 v. Annerley at Ebbw Vale at 1 p.m.; under 14 semi-final v. The Gap at Dittmer Park at 11.15 a.m.; under 18 Stewart Shield v. Newmarket Postals on Sunday at Oxley at 1 p.m.

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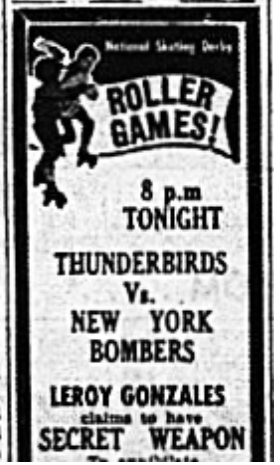


-1967-

St Helens (Stewart Shield Winners)

Noel Scudds, Glen McKeand, Doug Dann, Lex Gibb, John Gemmell

Others: John Berkoff, Anthony. Butcher, R Bullock, Bruce. Dobbie, G Evans, G Hillard, Ray Newton, Ken Murray, Alan Raymond

-1967-

Ipswich Schoolboys

Back row L-R: Mark Mitchell, Gary Leo, Trevor Broadbent, Chris Gay, Keith Walker, Harold McClurg, David Phie
Front Row: Mark Gillespie, Ross Norman, Steve McDowall, Greg Dobbie, Rick Kitching

-1967-

Brisbane and Districts

Back row: Chris Gay,Trevor Broadbent,Garry Leo

Front: Greg Dobbie,Rick Kitching,Steve McDowall

-1971-

St Helens

Under 8 A

Back row L-R R Faulkner, Dave Perrett, Craig McCrea, Jon Miller, Brett Kitching, G Reidel

Front row: Peter Vogler, Nev O'Sullivan, D Christensen, G Brown, P Mathieson, Absent N Taylor

-1971-

Under 15 Ipswich State Champions

Back Row L-R:- Gavin Johnston, Bob Purdie, Mike Watson, Graham Suthers, Russell Turner, Gavin Greisbach-Gary Kathage, Kim Wishart
Ashley Riddell, Ian lawrie-Ken Aubrey
Front row- Laurie Devereaux, Kenny Perry, Jeff Dann

-1971-

Queensland team

Under 16 National Championships Canberra

Back row: L-R: Greg Dunlop, Alan Waite, Cord Luhrs, Greg Topping, Steve Bruvard, Rodney Stein (Captain)
Middle row: Warren Morgan, Steve McDowall, Jim Carpenter, Les Drew, Alan Danvers, Trevor Broadbent
Front row: Mark Davis, Tommy Redfern, Lindsay Woods, Sandro Mancini George Pagan (Coach)

-1973-

Queensland Junior Team

Back row:----Derek Schluter,Dave Moore Kim Wishart (St Helens) Wayne Warren (St Helens) Peter Houghton,Graeme Mollard Tony Schofield, P Rawlinson

Middle row: Howard Schew,Ted Thomas,Ron Johnston,Graeme Anderson,Ian McKinney,Bruce Kathage (St Helens)

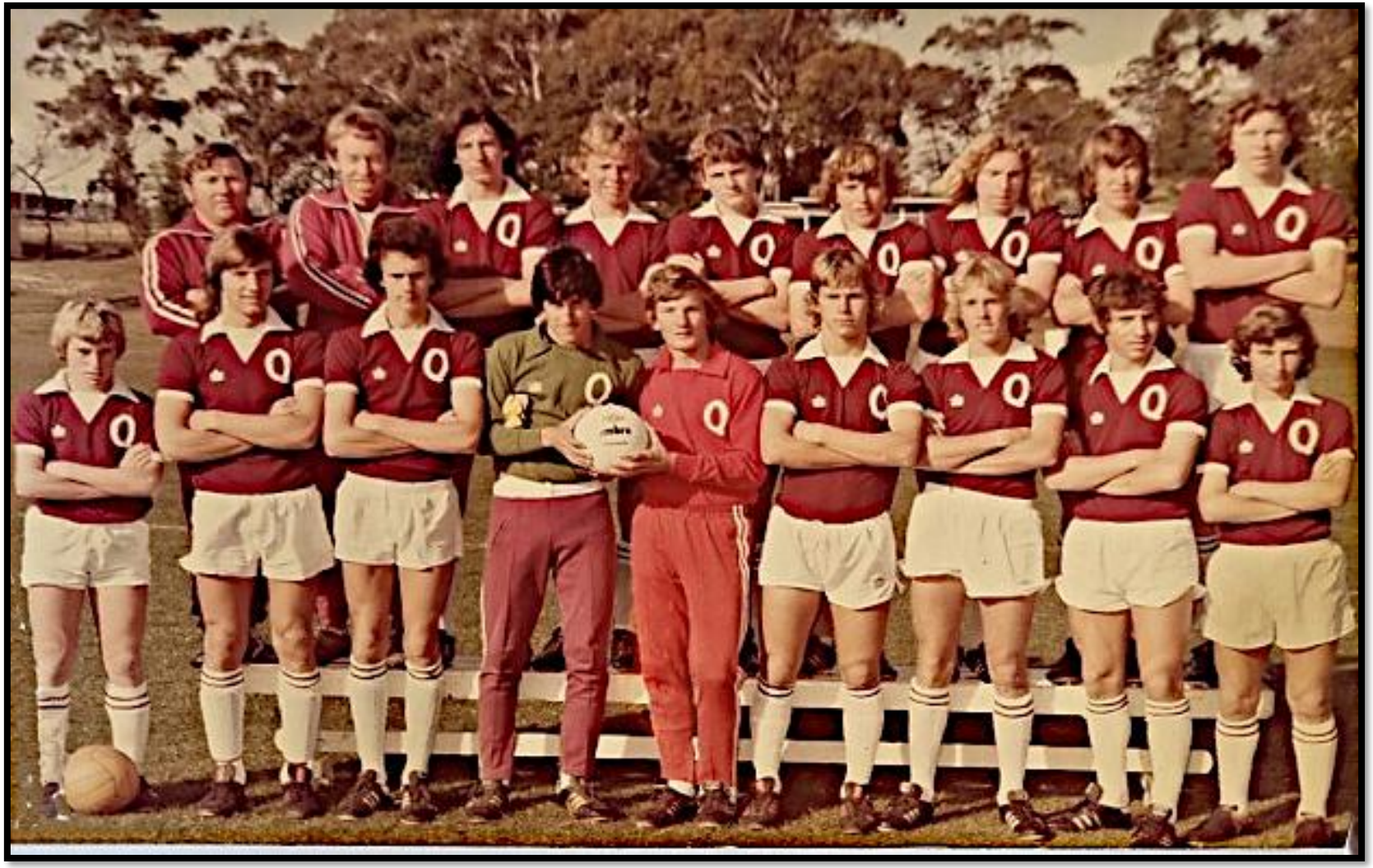
Front row: Paul Mylonas,Russell Pitcairn (St Helens) Daryl Cook,Keith Walker (St Helens)

Squad:J Ayre,David Hairsine,G Ferguson

-1977-

Queensland Under 14

Brett Kitching (Back row first on left)
No order: Alvin Athman, Brett Charles, Geoffrey Cocker, Neal Collins, Geoffrey Crowther
Neal Collins, Geoffrey Crowther, John Cusack, Owen Davies, Ian Dickinson, Mark Francis
Robert Innes,Antony Gillespie, Graham Judd, Gregory Marshall, Peter Orourke, Keith Marsh



-1977-
Queensland
Under 15

No order:Atillio Baldassi,Guy Baronne,Philip Campbell,Wayne Drinnan,Robert Green,Clinton Keleher,Peter Kelly
Craig Lems,Neil McAuliffe,Craig McLatchey,Bill McQueen,Lee Mason,Frank Monteverde,Robert Peterson,David White

-1978-

St Helens

Under 8 Premiers

No orderD avid Norwood,John Kearslake,Darren Dann,Grant Collis

Glen McCrea,Scott Roots,David Guest,Neil Brown,Craig Muller,Paul Payne,Wayne Smith,Justin Dale

Coach Doug Dann,Craig Roots

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-1978-

Under 15

Queensland team

Paul McMahon, Brett Kitching, John Miller, Nev O'Sullivan, David Perrett

-1978-

St Helens

Junior Colts

Back row: Ian Humphreys

Middle row: Nev O'Sullivan,David Perrett,----,John Miller

Front row:.Brett Kitching Spencer Kitching (Coach)

Others: Gary Broadbent,Craig McCrea,John Greenhill,Richard Barnard,Richard Bassingthwaighte,Daryl O'Sullivan,John Payne

-1980-
Under 14

-1982-

St Helens (Under 18)

Stewart Shield Winners

No Order:T. Petterssn,C Jesberg,A Porter,K Convery,Dallas Graham,Matthew.Crowley, Trevor Kitching
G Mair Russell Beckworth,Graham Soppa,Peter Vogler,S Wright,Richard Barnard, W. Larkin,Greg. Reimers