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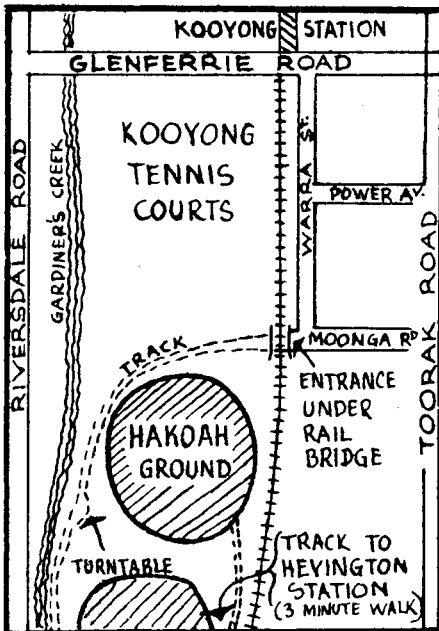
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## OUR REGRETS

Owing to the vagaries of the postal services over the Coronation period, two dispatches sent from Brisbane on the Saturday and Sunday games respectively did not arrive in Melbourne until the following Wednesday—too late for publication in last week's Soccer News.

These descriptions of the first Victoria v. Queensland game and the Victoria v. Ipswich and Districts were written while the games were proceeding, and air-mailed immediately after the game, but still could not arrive on Monday in Melbourne.

In view of many requests for information regarding what happened in Brisbane, we are printing it today on another page, and although now rather out of date, they will be of interest to many readers.

Our condolences go to Angus Drennen and his boys on their two defeats, but at last Victoria has the satisfaction, that in each case defeat came by only the narrowest of margins, i.e., the odd goal, whereas when Queensland were in Victoria last year, they lost by four goals to our boys. We cannot always win, but let us look forward to better luck next time.



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# Editorial

All communications re Soccer News must be sent to The Editor, V. J. M. Dixon, 42 Nelson Street, Sandringham, S.8. by first post on Monday.



The Dockerty Cup competition commenced last week with the customary collection of surprises. Biggest shock of all was Northcote's defeat of Footscray City. Lying in fourth place in the Third Division, Northcote's feat in defeating a First Division club was a fine exhibition. Next biggest surprise was the crashing defeat of Sandringham City by Shell "A." Starting late in the season Shell are playing in the Third Division Reserves. Toppling a Second Division club like Sandringham must have surprised the Shellites themselves.

On Sunday George Cross were defeated by Box Hill, 5-1, but the Maltese team was far from disgraced and did as much attacking as the Hillmen.

On the Saturday Prahran had difficulty in defeating Hellenic, and it was only after extra time that a decision was reached.

Of the country teams who played in last week's Cup round, Bandiana found the long trip to Yallourn and the solid play of the First Division club too much for them, and lost, 4-1; Albury City, playing Slovakia on Brigh-ton's ground at Hurlingham Park, got through to the next round by a 4-1 victory, as also did Puckapunyal at Olympic Park against Sunshine City.

Last week we published a short article on the N.S.W. coaching scheme. Last Wednesday week, in the company of Messrs. Hooper and Carlson, of the V.A.S.F.A. Council, I visited Newcastle on my way home from Brisbane to see Mr. Vivian Chalwin (the F.A. certificated coach who is conducting the N.S.W. coaching course) in action.

Under floodlights at Adamstown Oval Mr. Chalwin coached 15 well-known N.S.W. players on F.A. methods of coaching. Included in the 15 trainees were such well-known Interstate players as Alan Johns and Kevin O'Neill. In the two hours that Mr. Chalwin demonstrated, the officials watching speedily became convinced that as far as coaching methods are concerned, we in Australia have scarcely a clue. In this, his first demonstration in the Newcastle area, Mr. Chalwin concentrated solely on kicking and it is fair to say that although many of his pupils quickly grasped what

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## QUEENSLAND REFLECTIONS

By V. J. M. DIXON, Official V.A.S.F.A. Observer in Queensland

The long drive home from Brisbane gave time for reflection on where Victoria went wrong in Queensland. One thing which stuck out a mile was the difference in fitness between the Victorians and the Queenslanders. Whether it was the State side or the Minor side at Ipswich, all the Queensland players were as hard as nails and as fit as fiddles. Here we are used to making the ball do the work, but in Queensland not only does the ball work, but the players also go at full speed for the whole ninety minutes. Many a Victorian player whose name is a by-word in Victorian soccer was caught flat-footed as he waited for the ball to reach him. When it did so, a Queensland player arrived at the same moment and went on with the ball. While Victorians waited for the ball Queensland ran in to meet it and beat them time and again. Some Victorians quickly adapted their styles to local conditions, with the hard ground and sharp bounce of the ball, but others who in Victoria might be described as methodical became positively ponderous under Queensland conditions. In the Coronation Day game the Victorians showed signs that they were becoming acclimatised but several were still far too slow.

It is essential that when future teams go north a long period of training must be enforced on those players who are lucky enough to gain selection. On the organizing side the Queenslanders have a lot to learn. Ground marking left much to be desired—at the "Gabba" two distinct penalty areas could be seen from the stand. On the Tuesday the doorway to the Victorian dressing-room was the same as that to the gent's convenience. The accumulated filth and rubbish of weeks littered the floor and water flowed around the doorway entrance. The entertainment of the Victorians was poor, although hotel accommodation was excellent. At Ipswich the sole entertainment after the game for the representatives of Victoria was a cup of tea and a meat roll—standing in the open, in the dark. At the official dinner on the Saturday no less than 20 speeches had to be listened to by the players, while everyone was toasted except the ball-boys.

The attitude of all Queensland players and officials was most friendly and relations were of the best throughout. No incidents occurred to mar the games. The party felt at home with all and sundry, but, nevertheless, as stated above, the organization slipped badly.

The Queensland team fully deserved their victories—as Victoria did in Melbourne last year. We hope that this visit will be the forerunner of many more and that amicable relations will be maintained with the Northern State, whose problems except those of climate are similar to our own. Passing through N.S.W. great surprise was expressed at Victoria's defeat. In some quarters it was suggested that we did not send our best team—but we did. We were beaten by a good team and we have no excuses to offer.

(Reports of Games on Pages 9 and 13)

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# TARTAN TOPICS

By DUNCAN McDOUGALL

As usual the Celtic is right in the news again. This time with a 2-0 victory over the Hibs. before 120,000 at Hampden. Celtic now employ a man to polish the silver on the Parkhead sideboard. It seems that every time a special cup is presented for a big occasion, Celts turn on extra special football, and there's another cup in the bag. The list includes the 1901 Exhibition Cup, the Empire Exhibition Cup, the Festival Cup and now the Coronation Cup. Some die-hard Hibs. supporters were under the impression the ER on the Coronation Cup meant that it was already engraved for Easter Road!

The queue gets longer for Scots coaches and the latest application to the S.F.A. is from Burma. Anybody for another plate of Burma Road? The Burma Athletic Association are offering £160 per month and all found.

Referees are also in demand and Jack Mowat has been chosen by Sweden and Belgium to referee their national game at Stockholm next Thursday. But not satisfied with a Scots referee, the Swedes requested the services of two other referees, Charlie Faultless and Willie Brittle, merely to act as linesmen. They'll want the Govan Burgh Band next.

The English papers gave very little space to the Coronation Cup results. It's not surprising, as I'm sure no one, including the English, relish reading an autopsy report. Now, if an English team had won the Cup!

While on the subject of newspapers, it is interesting to note that the Glasgow evening papers of Saturday, May 30, gave the result of the Queensland versus Victoria game in Brisbane. Yet the local papers didn't have the result until Monday. Does the news going round the globe encircle faster to Britain or the "globe" go round in circles down here?

Vale of Leven defeated Annbank in the Scottish Junior Cup Final, 1-0, before a crowd of 60,000 at Hampden.

## SOCCER QUERY CORNER

"Surprised Supporter" asks: Why doesn't the referee award a free kick for hands against penalty kick takers, who, after the referee has placed the ball on the spot, picks the ball up, turns it round and replaces same on the spot. Time after time, match after match this is done and allowed.

**Answer:** The decision could not be "hands" as the ball was not in play. I referred this to a more competent authority—London and Sussex City Referees' Association, who state, that the player should be told to leave the ball where it was placed. Any further interference would merit a caution.

Come on, let's have your queries and appeals and the Ref's Query Corner will give you an official, correct answer. Should there be any doubt, the Ref's Query Corner will readily humble itself by appealing to English or F.I.F.A. Referees' Board for a clarification. So do not be afraid to appeal to this corner.

# SNOWS

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## A QUEENSLANDER'S VIEWPOINT

(By R. LAWRIE, Senior)

On perusing one of your editorials of April 4, I was interested in your comments of a proposed visit of a Victorian soccer team to Queensland some time in June. In one paragraph you mention that "The Bananalanders" have been keen to entice "our lads" north since the nasty shock we gave them at the interstate carnival last year.

Well, sir, that visit has eventuated, with the following results:—Saturday, May 30, Queensland met your team at the "Gabba," the result being Queensland 2 goals, Victoria 1 goal. On Sunday at Ipswich, Victoria 4 goals, Ipswich 3 goals. Tuesday, at Perry Park, Queensland 1 goal, Victoria 0 goals. On Saturday the game in the first half was a classical display by both teams of superb defence. In the second half the football was more entertaining, and had greater appeal to the spectators, many of whom were rugby followers, and to their delight three goals were scored. On resumption after the first half, the Queensland team took the offensive. Despite the fact that Queensland were without Newlands, the full back, Queensland were the first to score, "Bunny" Nunn finding the net from a beautiful angular shot which Czuderna was helpless to save.

The goal scored by Bassi was very deceptive, but was not a very difficult ball to save, had Leo been on the alert. The second goal for Queensland came from Charlie Takacs, who played one of his characteristic games at outside-left. I would not like to individualise on either team, as both sides put everything into it. It can be said, however, that it was evident that the conditions did not suit the Victorians. Again their forwards were thwarted in their attempts to get goals by the magnificent defence put up by Lawrie and his co-defenders.

At Ipswich on Sunday the game was more enterprising and entertaining, and good football was witnessed. Without detracting from Victoria's victory, it must be borne in mind that Ipswich had only a scratch team and in some departments gave their opponents scope to show off their ability.

The outstanding players on the field for Victoria were Drennen, Plateo and Sutherland. What a pity we were unable to have seen the latter in the final game; his all-round play was the feature of this game. For Ipswich Mitchell (goalkeeper), Dawes (right-winger) and Peck (centre) were most prominent.

On Tuesday (the final game of the tour), the condition of the playing ground was not conducive to good football, as the bumpy state of the field was against good ball control.

Like bowls and kindred sports, it is essential to have good surfaces in order that good footballers can display good ball control, which is looked for in soccer.

In this game the majority of soccer fans were delighted to see the appearance of Tom Jack, whose reputation is well known to many of the supporters of soccer in this State. Hundreds of people would have been extremely disappointed had they not had the opportunity of watching him play. M. Wild was brought in to replace Charlie Takacs and the selectors were severely criticised for doing so. My own personal opinion is that Charlie should have played in the forward line and if Wild did not do as well as many expected, it was only due to masterful display of good all-

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round football by Tom Jack. His orthodox style was reminiscent of many great players I have seen in the past.

Summing up, I would say that you have a team of good footballers, but they seem to lack the team spirit, and apparently were unable to adapt themselves to the conditions. They also have a tendency to go for the man and the ball instead of allowing the man to come to them, thereby showing some of their individuality and then making the ball do the work. There was too much kicking the ball at random, and destroying what could have been a good combination.

Finally, I say that your "lads" were beaten by the fearless combination of Lawrie and his colleagues and the penetrating force of "Bunny" Nunn. It may be said, and quite fairly, that the conditions were against your "lads" but "that knife cuts both ways." The conditions in Melbourne were against our "lads" when they were beaten.

One thing I must say, they are a grand lot of fellows, and I am looking forward to meeting them again. Perhaps your lads might want to entice our lads to come down and meet you again.

It would be unfair to omit Clarke (centre-half), who was a tower of strength to the team and probably was the most consistent trier in all his games. He also is a great footballer.

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## *Editorial—continued*

was wrong with their style, some were undoubtedly too far gone on the wrong road to change their ways.

Invited by the Victorian party to visit Victoria, Mr. Chalwin quickly agreed and stated he would come to Melbourne as soon as possible to discuss coaching methods with the V.A.S.F.A. Council for a start. He stated also that he did not wish to identify himself solely with one State and was prepared to assist all States to improve the standard of soccer to the best of his ability.

Mr. Chalwin, who is in business in Sydney, was first contacted by Mr. R. Druery (secretary A.S.F.A.) after Sir Stanley Rous (secretary F.A.) notified him that Mr. Chalwin was living in Sydney. It is remarkable that after the strenuous efforts of the V.A.S.F.A. to obtain an F.A. certificated coach at a high salary from England and the repeated last-minute failures, Mr. Chalwin should be found almost by chance already living in Australia. Once Mr. Chalwin has visited Victoria and supposing he can manage to lecture and coach in Melbourne, I cannot too strongly recommend all club officials and coaches that they do not fail to attend whenever Mr. Chalwin is available. Once they have done so it will require no further urging by myself and no further recommendation, for all will realise that at last we are really on the right track and the standard of play in Victoria cannot fail to improve, particularly in that most essential quarter—the junior ranks.

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## HOME and AWAY

By REX BENSON

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### COPPERS IN THE WELL

Knowing that at soccer matches policemen make "better doors than windows," at Manchester City's ground there are "wells" at the corners of the pitch so that the "Bobbies" can stand on duty without obstructing the view.



### LEMON TIME

Whereas players can demand a five-minute break at the normal half-time interval, in the event of extra time, the interval after the normal 90 minutes, and between the extra halves are solely at the discretion of the referee.

### F.A. FLEECE FOOTBALL FANS

Charges for recent big games in England seem to be getting into the theatre class. Over A£62,000 was taken at the recent Scotland v. England match at Wembley, watched by no more than the usual 100,000.

### RUBBING IT IN

While the Victorian forwards tried for three hours in vain to score against Queensland, the rejected Copeland was tearing holes in opposing defences in Melbourne, without waiting in the penalty area for the ball to be placed on his correct toe.

### PLAYERS' INSURANCE

Preston already have four players suffering fractures, with the season hardly started. As they feel that the benefits offered them by insurance companies are not liberal enough, they have started their own scheme within the club. Ironically enough they were recently asked to subscribe to a "bob-in" fund for a player of another club.

### THE DOG IN THE MANGER

So the public has been warned by Ken Moses (of the "Fair-Play" newspaper) that the kids at East Reservoir State School might be deluged with soccer and rigger balls, presumably to use for healthy recreation. Why, if such a state of affairs goes on, I can visualise those lads lacking brawn (and perhaps possessing something else) wearing glasses, and guernseys with sleeves, being able to join into a game for a change. And who knows, instead of glorious isolationism, we might in time have to put up with visits from International teams playing soccer, or Yanks playing rugby league and filling the M.C.G.

### OLYMPIC PARK

I want to enlarge on the Editor's recent article about the future of Olympic Park. If Richmond put in for the ground, it is all Lombard Street

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# TASMANIAN TALKS

By BOB EASTERBROOK

## SANDY BAY v. A.N.M.

Still without a win to their credit, A.N.M. went into the attack, but Sandy Bay soon took control and dictated the run of play. On a greasy surface intended passes fell short, indeed, play became very poor with any real soccer of note coming from the Bay who monopolised most of the game and were well worthy of their 4-0 victory. Mann, Morrison and Lynch were the outstanding players for the victors, whilst Forbes, Reid and Doherty excelled for the losers. Goal-scorers: Sandy Bay—Brown, White (through own goal), Lynch and McGuinness.

## SOUTH HOBART v. CALEDONIANS

The meeting of these two teams was a corker, and the Scots, by their narrow victory, seem well set for the League Championship? Alas! There's many a slip 'twixt the Cup and the lip—says Metro!

Losing the toss, Arnott kicked off for the Scots, and within seconds Gardner transferred play and sent a sweeping pass to Kenna on the left. He swept forward and sent a peach of a pass to the oncoming Shepherd. The inside-left carried on at full pressure and volleyed a swift grounder past McCreadie—a real copy-book goal. Caledonians now settled down and reached peak form in a succession of attacks, but Norman Gardner's positional play in mid-field (which resembled a churned up quagmire of mud), was almost uncanny and thwarted all attacks. Then Dado (Caley's) shot, followed by a rocketing pile-driver by Alexander, but off-side spoiled the piece, and then Smith (outside-left), of the Caledonians, who had meandered towards goal, coolly collected a ball and tipped it over Cracknell's head into the net. (Methought Smith would autograph the ball before he scored.). Seconds later the same player placed a perfect ball to George Arnott, who shot home and thus put his side in the lead. Half-time: Caledonians 2, South Hobart 1.

The second half was a full-blooded game, fought at a tremendous pace. South Hobart swarmed into the attack and Oakes's leadership was an inspiration, but the Scots' defence stood up to the best that the South could offer. Alexander, the schemer in chief, laid on a dream ball to Arnott, but with only Cracknell to beat. Oh! what an appalling miss, George! South Hobart, urged on by Gardner, applied the pressure in the closing stages, but McCreadie & Co. were equal to all occasions. And so a very fine and sporting game ended. Caledonians 2, South Hobart 1.

For the Scots, wing-halves Dado and Rattray were super men, with Clark and Smith (forwards) excelling. For South Hobart the hero of the piece, "Never-give-up" Norman Gardner and Oakes and Kenna, grand forwards. Goal-scorers: Caledonians, Smith and Arnott; South Hobart, Shepherd.

Bronte Park v. Metro.—No result to hand.

To Enquirer: Peter Fone, ex-goalkeeper, Sandy Bay address is now c/o H.E.C., Tarraleah, Tas.

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## VICTORIA DOWN TO QUEENSLAND

SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1953 AT BRISBANE CRICKET GROUND

The early stages of the game were marked by nervousness on both sides. Sharp changes followed with the ball moving smartly from end to end. Queensland, however, were doing slightly more of the attacking. There was an obvious difference between the Queensland and Victorian forward play, for whereas the Queensland forwards constantly moved smartly into the open space to create opportunities, the Victorian forwards, with the exception of Sutherland and Lachmann appeared lethargic, hanging back too far and passing poorly.

Victoria's defence was holding firm, but no latitude could be allowed to Nunn, Queensland (c.f.) and Kitching (i.r.), while Morris put in two crashing shots, both of which were deflected for corner kicks by Clarke first and then Mouchka (l.b.), Vic. Czauderna (goal), Vic., pulled off many fine saves and an indirect free to Queensland for obstruction was beaten down by a massed Victorian defence. A direct free to Victoria was belted just over the bar by Caldarevic (c.f.), Vic. Queensland were doing almost all the attacking when with five minutes to go of the first half Sutherland (i.l.), Vic. came down heavily and had to receive attention to his left elbow.

The Ball was now seldom reaching the Victorian forwards, passes from the Victorian defence being smartly returned by their Queensland opposite numbers. As half-time drew near a lovely forward pass by Sutherland (Vic.) was just missed by Hardmann who a moment later failed to connect with a shot at goal. Half-time came with the attacking honors definitely with Queensland. Half-time, Queensland 0, Victoria 0.

Queensland commenced the second half with only ten men, Newlands (r.b.) having strained a leg muscle, but they still seemed to have one man too many in attack for Victoria. Five minutes after the resumption, Hardmann, who had taken over the centre forward position from Caldarevic, kicked a sitter over the bar. Three minutes later Nunn scored for Queensland, running beautifully into position to pick up an indirect free kick by Pitcairn (i.r.), Queensland. Ten minutes later Newlands pluckily returned and shortly afterwards Clarke (Vic.) handled just in the area. The penalty was taken and missed by Bool (Queensland) and Victoria breathed again. Within ten minutes Bassi (r.h.), Vic., took a short pass from Drennen and with a colossal long shot put Victoria on even terms. Almost immedi-

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ately, however, Queensland regained the lead with a fine shot close in by Takens (o.l.).

Victoria now were trying hard, but the forward line still seemed unable to function together, while passes from the half-back line had become wild and were not finding the forwards. As the game drew to a close it became more and more Queensland, but no further score resulted, Queensland finishing the victors by 2 goals to 1.

With Newlands a passenger throughout the second half, the Queenslanders fully deserved the congratulations of the Victorian contingent and their own supporters. Nunn was outstanding and Lawrie, playing at centre-half for the first time after a year of wing-half play, dominated the Victorian attack.

For Victoria Bassi was very good and Drennen's defence was good though his distribution was not quite up to his usual high standard. Clarke Mouchka and Zblocki, though sound in the early stages, began to make mistakes as the pressure got stronger. Behind them all was Czauderna, whose goalkeeping as usual was superb. The forward line generally tried hard but could not get together, this becoming more obvious as the game drew to a close. The bounce of the ball on the hard ground was beating many of the Victorian players throughout the game..

Victoria's team was Czauderna, Zblocki, Mouchka, Bassi, Clarke, Drennen, Hardmann, Lachmann, Caldarevic, Sutherland, Plateo.

#### NOTICE

We regret that owing to the intervention of Coronation Day last week, much copy arrived too late for inclusion in Soccer News. This was particularly so in the case of country and Tasmanian news. We regret it but could not help it.—EDITOR.



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## Letters to the Editor

Readers are invited to send along queries, suggestions, etc., to the Editor. All will be given appropriate consideration.

Sir,—I was very surprised to find no mention of the result of the first match between Victoria and Queensland in today's issue of Soccer News. Can it be that, even in soccer, Victorians cannot take a beating?

The result of the first match in Brisbane must have been known at the time of going to press as the League Tables as at June 1 are included, as are also accounts of matches between Coburg and Williamstown, George Cross, Fairfield, etc.

Show a little sportsmanship, Soccer News, and when Victoria is beaten, at least congratulate the winners.—Yours, etc.,

J. FREER.

[If you care to read page one of today's issue you will see the reason you ask for, Mr. Freer. When you have done so, I will appreciate your apology and we shall both be in a good position to judge who is the better sportsman.—EDITOR.]

Sir,—It is with some dismay that I learn of the sweeping amnesty granted towards serious offenders against our rules on ungentlemanly conduct. I believe it is the practice to remit part of their sentence in the case of offenders against the laws of the country and not indiscriminately wipe the lot. The laws of our game are no less serious to us, because the good conduct of soccer is just as dependent on the carrying out and observance of these laws.—Yours faithfully, "F."

Sir,—Would you at some future date thank the many friends in Gippsland who were so kind to me during my long sojourn in hospital. I am still off work and have not worked for 19 months. I would like to thank the Yallourn club and Morwell club and W. Bowler, of Yallourn club, who made sure that I received my Soccer News. Things will be hard here for about two years yet—great big hostels and not a man in them and houses empty.—Yours, etc., NORMAN MINOR.

Sir,—For a good many weeks there has been a great deal of discussion concerning bringing a good coach out from Great Britain to coach our schoolboys and juniors. I agree with the suggestion. But where are we going to get the men to look after these young teams? At the present time every club is crying out for men and women to come along and help the young Australian to be an international soccer player.

I have asked a good number of men to give a helping hand, and the answers I get are amusing. Some of the men are too busy (but they attend every soccer game that is free). Others say that they go to the best game of the day. Why not make the schoolboys and juniors the game of the

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day? The schoolboys are the foundation of the game, and it is up to every keen soccer follower to see that these youngsters get every assistance.

Take any Saturday afternoon. A few disgruntled individuals come along. The first thing said, "a poor job marking off the ground." "Where is the secretary?" The secretary is coming, travelling in his car at 60 miles an hour after seeing his reserve team were O.K. before going down to Geelong. At the finish of the game, when you look around to get someone to give a hand with the nets, the ground is deserted, but when you attend the "pub" for a gargle, what does one find? Here are the busy bees talking of what a fine team we have got.

So to some of the soccer fans who just stand on the line and do nothing I would appeal to them to get interested in some club and let the young Australian see that somebody is taking an interest in his soccer career.

Also, why is it there is not more local news in Soccer News? Even overseas men are talking of the shortage of local news. Bill Smith, of Melbourne, is good news, but Willie Smith, of England, does not carry much weight for the young Australian. There is a great future ahead of soccer, and it is up to all soccer fans to put something into the game.—Yours, etc., JACK GUTHRIE.

Sir,—In reference to D. McDougall's article (Soccer News, May 9) about a team called Glentyan (Thistle), may I say that that team has played in Renfrewshire Juvenile League for about 25 years. The last nine years it has been League champions five times. It has won the Scottish Cup, Dorling Cup, Laidlaw Cup, Glen Coats Cup, Clark Cup, Renfrewshire Cup and several local competitions. Three other gentlemen and I started the team. The manager, Mr. Patterson, has been in charge for about 20 years. My two sons, now with Footscray City, played with Glentyan. The team comes from the village Kilbachan, about 12 miles from Glasgow. If Mr. McDougall knows anything about tartan he should know about Kilbachan, as mostly all tartan comes from there.—Yours, etc.,

A. W. BRYDSON, Sunshine.

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## VICTORIA DEFEATS IPSWICH AND DISTRICT

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 1953

In a hot sun and on a rock hard surface Victoria on the Sunday met Ipswich and District and defeated them, 4 goals to 3. Victoria early showed signs of superiority and Stoddart (centre-forward) played the kind of robust football required.

Success of the game was Plateo at outside-left, whose approach work was responsible for the first two goals. Weaving and dribbling beautifully, Plateo placed a pass to Stoddart's foot for the first goal, and again so that the full-back getting his foot to the ball a fraction before Stoddart scored in his own goal.

In Victoria's defence things were not quite so sound. Thomas seemed out of his class and was unable to either tackle or distribute, while his marking of the opposition also was poor. Drennen also was slow and his passing was very poor. Bassi at right-back was not as at home as in his customary wing-half position. Pitoni, inside-left, was most constructive and his shorter runs good, his work with Plateo being particularly brilliant.

Half-time found Victoria 2 goals up to Ipswich nil.

After the resumption, Ipswich went into the attack and the speed of the ball combined with their positional play bamboozled the Victorian defence completely. Two quick goals from Ipswich and the miners scented victory. However, the pace began to tell and another goal from Stoddart, once again from a pass by Plateo, took the sting out of the Ipswich side. A fourth goal from Victoria, this time headed by Pitoni from a corner kick by Sutherland, seemed to seal the game. Right on the whistle Ipswich put on a third goal, which was undoubtedly off-side. Final result was, Victoria 4, Ipswich 3.

In this game Victoria's forward line began to come good, but the defence began to crack badly and men we have come to rely on as solid defenders were all at sea.

Victorian team comprised Czauderna, Zblocki, Bassi, Clarke, Drennen, Roubel, Stoddart, Sutherland, Pitoni, Plateo.

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## QUEENSTOWN (TASMANIA) ASSOCIATION

The expected visit of Bronte Park did not materialise. Correction to No. 8 Soccer News. Silver Stars, not the Association team, drew with Metro. We are still waiting to hear from the State Council relating to the visit of Southern Tasmania. Though we have only two teams to pick from to their six, we are confident that we will beat them.

This week's personality: Bob McDickens (Queenstown Rangers). Bob is from Scotland, where he played for Burnfoot. In Australia he has played for Blackstone Rovers in Queensland, and represented South Queensland v. North Queensland. A right-half of grand ability, he kicks with both feet, has excellent ball control and distributes it wisely. He has given outstanding displays of wing-half play. He is shortly going to Victoria, and any club will have an asset in this player.

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# V.A.S.F.A. SECRETARY'S NOTES



## V.A.S.F.A. SECRETARY'S NOTES

Matches have been arranged for Saturday, June 27, 1953, as follows:—

### DOCKERTY CUP — 2nd ROUND

Prahran v. Juventus at Olympic Park.

Shell "A" v. Moorabbin City.

Maccabi v. White Eagles.

Sunshine United v. South Yarra.

Moreland v. Rosebud District.

F.N.D. v. Nunawading.

Fairfield v. Puckapunyal.

Brighton v. University.

J.U.S.T. v. Dandenong Rovers.

Mornington v. Frankston.

Albury City v. Geelong.

A.P.M., Maryvale v. Polonia.

Park Rangers v. S. Melb. United.

Williamstown v. Box Hill.

Northcote v. Preston.

Hakoah v. Yallourn.

### RESERVE CUP — 2nd ROUND

Astor v. Footscray City.

Geelong v. Prahran.

Moreland v. South Yarra.

Juventus v. Sutherland City.

J.U.S.T. v. Hellenic.

Hakoah v. Coburg.

Sth. Melbourne v. Park Rangers.

Fairfield v. Brighton.

### THIRD DIVISION RESERVE LEAGUE

Maccabi v. Northcote.

### FOURTH DIVISION LEAGUE

Slavia v. Hellenic.

S. BEATON, Secretary.

### Third Division

Northcote S.C., please note that Mr. Campbell has resigned as Secretary and his place has been taken by Mr. A. Branagh, 38 William Street, Newport, W.15. The Assistant-Secretary, Mr. C. O. Mannagh may be contacted at MW 5128 after 6 p.m.

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# STORY OF THE F.A. CUP—PART 4

By TED PRIDGEON

The withdrawal of the Scottish clubs from membership of the Football Association in the season 1886-87 was closely followed by a similar edict issued by the Irish F.A. to its clubs. The F.A. of Wales, however, left the status quo undisturbed and to this day Welsh clubs still take part in the Cup competition, though their numbers are now restricted to 14 under rule 4 of the Rules of the F.A. Challenge Cup Competition (ii) 1948-49, para. 4, which states "The competition shall be open . . . to Welsh clubs, not exceeding 14 in number, to be selected annually by the Council . . ."

The year 1888 brought with it the introduction of the Exemption Scheme and the division of the competition into the qualifying competition and the competition proper.

The qualifying competition was played amongst 10 geographical divisions, the 10 surviving clubs passing into the competition proper where they were joined by 22 exempted clubs (the 4 semi-finalists of the previous year plus 18 selected clubs—a total of 32 clubs. The competition proper consisted of 1st round, 2nd round, 3rd round, semi-final and final.

So to 1892 and the last final ever to be played at Kennington Oval, the first home of the Cup Final. On this ground, in twenty-one years of life, the competition had grown from 15 entries to 163; from 2000 spectators (1872) to 25,000 in 1892. On its turf soccer history had been written. We passed from the cross-tape of 1872 to the cross-bar of 1892; from referee and umpires to referee and linesmen; the penalty-kick; the two-handed throw-in; from 7 forward formation to five; from knickerbockers, beards, and long trousers to shorts and shin-pads; from the decline of the amateur to the growth of the professional.

The cup itself had, in this period, been claimed by three areas:

London and the South—The Wanderers (5), Old Etonians (2), Old Carthusians (1), Oxford University (1), Clapham Rovers (1), Royal Engineers (1); 11 victories.

Lancashire—Blackburn Rovers (5), Blackburn Olympic (1), Preston North End (1); 7 victories.

The Midlands—West Bromwich Albion (2), Aston Villa (1); 3 victories.  
And so to the Crystal Palace era . . .

## SUNDAY INTERNATIONAL SOCCER—LIDLAW CUP

SCOTLAND v. UKRAINIA — OLYMPIC PARK, JUNE 14, 1953, 2 p.m.

The following Scotland players are requested to report to Scotland's dressing-room at 1.15 p.m.:—A. Goddard (Hakoah, W. Bushrod (Moreland), P. Clarke (Hakoah), J. Copeland (Footscray City), R. Weymess (Moreland), S. Thomas (Brighton), T. Jack (Hakoah), W. Lawrie (Juventus), A. Nolan (Moreland), P. Clarke (Moreland), J. Sharpe (Moreland), W. Copeland (Juventus), J. Smith (Footscray City), R. McFeeters (Moreland), P. Ewing (Pahran), E. Brown (Moreland).

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# PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL IS STILL A SPORT

By WALTER PILKINGTON,  
Sports Editor of the "Lancashire Evening Post"

Ought football club directors to be paid? Practically all the English League clubs are now limited companies, but they are not expected to pay fees to those who carry out the policy approved by shareholders. They are in the "business" for the fun they get out of it. As sportsmen they find pleasure in supporting and working for their clubs, and enjoy the social advantages that go with it.

Some are mere figureheads. Many are enthusiasts who spend much time and money on their hobby without expectation of return. They attend meetings. They scout for players, travelling long distances and returning at all hours, sometimes after enduring the rigors of winter at a small ground well off the beaten path. There is usually a rota of directors who accompany the reserve team on their travels—a real test of enthusiasm when one reflects that the first eleven might that day be playing at home in an attractive League match or Cup-tie which everyone in the town wants to see.

When results are bad or a transfer deal disappoints, it is the directors who are blamed: the wrath of the crowd pours on their defenceless heads. In times of success it is the players who get the praise from the multitude: the directors are told they are lucky to have the best seats and that a good team manages itself!

## Men Who Love the Game.

It is a hard life and compensations are few. Why, then, do they do it—especially for nothing? Simply because they love the game and would laugh at the idea of being paid. One is not suggesting seriously that they should be, but as so many people, the players included, now seem to regard League football as a vast commercial undertaking of unlimited finances, it is not inapt to point out that there would be much less available for the players if the game really were run on strictly business lines and not as a sport.

Britain's professional footballers say they are underpaid as a body. Having regard to the fact that they entertain a million people every week, there may be something in their argument that they ought to rank as public performers in much the same way as variety artists and other individuals who make much more money than footballers.

This applies especially to the stars. Tom Finney, for instance, could have had a lucrative two years' appointment, with £10,000 for himself, a villa and a car, if international agreement on the transfer and registration of players had not prevented him from leaving Preston North End to go to Italy. This seems hard on players: a commercial firm that covets another firm's star salesman usually can get him if the inducement is big enough.

The clubs, however, say that such methods would ruin football as a sport, and kill its competitiveness by enabling wealthy clubs at home to acquire the best players and making it easy for any club abroad to sign one of outstanding ability. It could be a death blow to League football, in its present form, if clubs, after finding a young player, training and coach-

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ing him for two or three years, had no safeguard whatever, but could lose the pick of a successful team at the end of each season.

Commonsense must prevail. The Football League, as a body, have often said they exist for the mutual protection of both clubs and players, and they have proved this by increasing the maximum wage to £14 a week in the playing season, and establishing a provident fund for players to draw upon when their careers have ended. They have gone further by agreeing during the summer to pay more to players who take part in Inter-League games. The Football Association has acted similarly by increasing a player's fee for international match appearances from £20 to £30. Beyond that they decline to go, on the ground that the way to bankruptcy is to pay out more than comes in. They point to declining gates and wonder what will be the public's reactions this season to the rise in gate money following increased taxation.

Many clubs will certainly have to cut expenditure if crowds appreciably shrink. Arsenal, Newcastle United, Tottenham Hotspur, Manchester United and other First Division crowd magnets will not be troubled by such fears, but there are 92 clubs in the Football League. Some, judging by their balance sheets, are already having a task to make ends meet.

#### Incentives to Young Players.

The Players' Union, however, think £100 a man would have been little enough to pay, in view of the many thousands of pounds taken when such football showpieces as internationals and Cup Finals are played. There is something to be said for their point of view; also that increased talent money and graded benefits, as years of service grow, would foster club loyalty among players.

In these days of expanding international rivalry and more tours abroad, it would give young players a greater incentive to get to the top if they knew that star-rating really counted for something, with substantial fees for big matches, plus what the notabilities can draw from newspapers, commercial advertising, books, photographs, radio and business ventures. As it is, the star man in football today is far from being a shackled slave.

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## HOME AND AWAY (continued)

to a China orange that they will get it, if the decision is to be made by political pin-heads. Forget such fond hopes that their conscience, if it exists, will be stirred at the thought of an amateur ground going over to a professional club. If Olympic sport had been considered above other side issues by the Olympic Games Disorganisation, Olympic Park would have been the agreed site from the word go, nem con.

There happen to be more votes to be gained by an ostentatious presence at Australian Rules clubs' annual meetings than by displaying an interest in amateur sport, unless it is to be in on the band wagon for a plush seat at the next Olympic Games. These are facts to be faced, and our own ground we will have to acquire despite State officials, not because of them. If a new Board of Trustees is approved to handle Olympic Park, will it be composed of ex-Amateur athletes? Don't make me laugh!

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## TASMANIA TALKS — Continued

Bronte Park at it again! Yes, step up their Soccer News sales from 40 to 60. To Messrs Mearns and Restaly, thanks a million. Will include your game with Metro in next week's issue, also news items.

If the secretary of A.N.M. desires publicity, and as we would like to give it, kindly send me weekly letter with all club activities.

Ken Douglas (ex-Wanderers, centre-half) and H. Gold (ex-Caledonians, centre-forward) still unsigned. Any clubs interested, contact me immediately.

### SOUTHERN TASMANIAN SECRETARY'S NOTES

A Southern Tasmanian team will be travelling to Queenstown this week for the second interstate game of the season, the winner to meet the North-West Coast Association for the State inter-association title. The Coast team this week-end qualified for the final by defeating the Northern Association, 3-2.

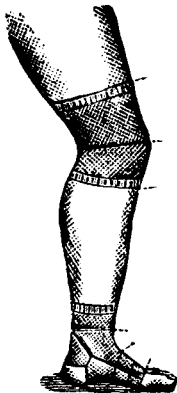
In Division II the tables do not include the Caledonians v. South Hobart game, this being abandoned with seven minutes to play, due to the only available ball collapsing through coming in contact with the thorny hedge around the Bell Street ground.

## . PENINSULA SOCCER ASSOCIATION

### ROSEBUD

The Rosebud club maintains its winning run by the defeat of Army School of Signals, 7-0, after a very hard match. The score gives a wrong conception of the play. Again last Saturday Rosebud club beat a much improved Army Apprentices team at Mornington, 7-3. The Rosebud club is firmly assured of the League championship. The two Cups are now our objective, namely, the Dockerty Cup and Peninsula Challenge Cup, of which we are the holders. Unfortunately the club is losing its two star wingers in McCutcheon and Harford who, being in the Navy, have each received a drafting to sea; but still the team will extend Moreland in its Cup-tie.

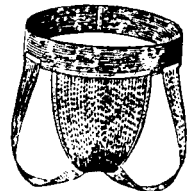
On Sunday, in a charity match, the Rosebud club played Sunshine United at Rosebud. The Rosebud lads excelled themselves, and after a magnificent game won by 6 goals to 1. We have vacant dates to play any club who wishes to travel down here. Contact the secretary, Mr. Mitchell.



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# Around the Clubs

## COBURG

Coburg entertained A.P.M., Maryvale, at home for the 1st Dockerty Cup round and the resulting match gave the spectators an exciting and interesting afternoon, with the result in doubt up till the final whistle.

The game was fast, clean and even throughout with the defences of both sides outstanding. Maryvale opened the scoring after 35 minutes from 15 yards out. A penalty for handball against Maryvale was missed by Coburg after three minutes of the second half, but Farrugia equalised after seven minutes. Neither team could pass the keepers, who were both playing very well, until Maryvale scored from a scramble five yards out with only five minutes to go, giving Maryvale a goal lead, which they managed to hold till the final whistle.

Coburg Reserves defeated Moorabbin, 3-2, in their match in the first round of the Reserve Cup. The game was played at a fast pace throughout, both teams showing a good display of soccer. The Coburg defence continually repelled a solid attack by Moorabbin. The Coburg team played as a team and should go a long way in the Cup matches. Best players: S. Gallea, T. Walker, J. Drummond.

## GEORGE CROSS

Dame Luck was against George Cross last Sunday in the match against Box Hill in the first round of the Dockerty Cup at Olympic Park. Box Hill won, 5-2, with the half-time score at 3-1. It was a very thrilling game, which was only decided within 10 minutes from time. George Cross forwards executed many dangerous attacks, and only poor finishing prevented them from getting more goals. Our defence was in good form, worthy of mention being Camilleri, our brilliant goalie, and B. Calleja, our untiring centre-half. Our goal-getters were T. Trinder in the first half, and J. Swan in the second. Keep your never-say-die spirit, George Cross, and you will go far.

George Cross gave a successful smoke social to their players and friends last Sunday, to celebrate their recent victories in the League. There was plenty of fun and everyone seemed to enjoy himself.

A dance will be held at St. George's Hall, Pelham Street, Carlton, on Saturday, June 20. A cordial invitation is extended to all soccer lovers, particularly to our supporters and admirers; so keep the date free.

H. GALEA.

## NORTHCOTE

On Saturday in the Dockerty Cup we entertained Footscray City. This game was full of thrills from start to finish. Northcote took the lead in three minutes through Managh. Later Footscray got a penalty and Harvey, our goalkeeper, made a brilliant save. The second half started with Footscray on top, and it was no surprise when Footscray equalised. However, this goal only spurred Northcote on to greater heights and in an exciting finish Carter

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sent the home supporters wild with delight when he cracked the winning goal hard into the net for Northcote.

All Irish-born players wishing to play for Ireland against Yugoslavia on Sunday, June 14, are requested to meet at Olympic Park dressing-rooms at 2 o'clock sharp.—NORMAN.

### PRESTON

The continued hoodoo of injuries, which have been the club's lot this season, must be causing a note of despondency to creep into their midst. This mostly has caused a successive run of defeats, and it must have been a welcome lift to players and officials alike to see a 5-2 victory over Victoria Police. The credit must go to the revitalised forward line, which suddenly discovered that goals were constructed to shoot at. In past games it has been heartrending to watch the continued succession of wasted opportunities. Mention must be given to Grix, Flynn and Horabin for a vastly improved display. Get in there, lads, in the same style in future games, and we shall see many more goals.—"ONLOOKER."

### SOUTH YARRA RESERVES v. PRESTON RESERVES

The game opened with the Yarra right on top, and from then on it was just a matter of how many goals could be scored. A. Bolton (outside-left) got seven and I guess this is about a record for a winger in Victoria. Bert Rogerson (centre-forward) got the other four. They could have saved some for the harder games to come, but after Tuesday's games at Fawkner Park, bring on all comers.

## LATROBE VALLEY ASSOCIATION

After results on Saturday, June 6, three clubs are vying for the League honors—A.P.M., Moe United and Morwell. Any of them could win and the result will not be definite till the last games are played.

Congratulations for A.P.M. on their victory over Coburg in the Dockerty Cup, and all the best for the next round. Results for Saturday, June 6: Moe United 4 goals v. R.A.A.F. 3 goals; Morwell 7 goals, v. Yallourn nil; Dockerty Cup: Coburg 1 goal v. A.P.M. 2 goals. Coronation Day result: L.V.S.F.A. nil v. International XI 1 goal.

Games for Saturday, June 13.—Yallourn v. A.P.M., Moe United v. Morwell, O.C.C. v. R.A.A.F.

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The L.V.S.F.A. wish to say thanks to the V.A.S.F.A. and its Sunday International committee and Jock Parker for the game on Coronation Day, and hope that more of these visits will be made in future.

**LATROBE VALLEY ASSOCIATION**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Moe United	8	6	0	2	28	13	12
A.P.M.	6	5	0	1	11	4	10
Morwell	8	4	2	2	23	11	10
R.A.A.F.	7	3	1	3	9	15	7
O.C.C.	7	2	1	4	16	17	5
Yallourn	8	0	0	8	0	27	0

Games for Saturday, June 13  
 Yallourn v. A.P.M.; Moe United v. Morwell  
 O.C.C. v. R.A.A.F.

**NORTHERN VICTORIA ASSOCIATION**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Shepparton Rovers	6	5	1	0	20	6	11
Dookie College	6	3	0	3	12	14	6
Benalla H.C.	6	3	0	3	20	13	9
Shepparton United	6	1	1	4	9	26	3

**FURTHER V.A.S.F.A. SECRETARY'S NOTES**

**Fourth Division—**

Shell "A" has been promoted to the Fourth Division. All clubs please note the following revised fixtures:

- June 13—Slovakia v. Shell
- June 20—Shell v. Maribyrnong
- July 4—Heidelberg v. Shell
- July 11—Shell v. Nunawading
- July 25—Vic. Police v. Shell

- August 1—Shell v. I.C.I.
- August 15—Slavia v. Shell
- August 22—Union Jack v. Shell
- August 29—Shell v. Hellenic

**Third Division Reserves—**

"Wilhelmina" Soccer Club has been admitted to the Third Division Reserves and will take over the former fixtures of Shell "A."

- June 13—Fairfield v. Wilhelmina
- June 20—Wilhelmina v. Ukrania
- July 4—Wilhelmina v. Maccabi
- July 11—Dandenong v. Wilhelmina
- July 25—Wilhelmina v. Coburg

- August 1—Moorabbin v. Wilhelmina
- August 15—Wilhelmina v. Astor
- August 22—W'town v. Wilhelmina
- August 29—Wilhelmina v. N'cote

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# Junior Section

Clubs co-opted on Saturday last in the phoning of their results, and all but one result was obtained by the official receiver of results, Mr. Wilshaw. Keep this up, and we will be able to continue the publishing of League Tables in Soccer News. Remember the phone number is WF 3915, or the "Herald" office, MF 0211, Extension 407.

The one result missed out last Saturday was the Under 17 match, Nunawading v. Box Hill.

## SOUTH MELBOURNE TECHNICAL SCHOOL

So far we have played two games against Brighton and Richmond, winning 3-2 and 7-2; also we were given a walk-over by Box Hill. This places us at the top of the ladder with Swinburne Technical School, so there should be an interesting clash when these two schools meet on 17/6/53. Our main strength lies in the half-back and forward lines. Among the forwards we have two State representatives, Clausen and Lamont. Clausen shows much promise of becoming a future interstate representative at centre-forward. Our thanks go to Mr. MacFadgin, the ex-South Melbourne United junior soccer coach, who has given us great help and encouragement.

## SOUTHERN TASMANIAN SOCCER ASSOCIATION

First Division	P. W. D. L. F. A. P.					Second Division	P. W. D. L. F. A. P.								
	Caledonians	7	5	2	0		30	11	12	Mt. Nelson	7	5	0	2	26
Metro	7	5	1	1	30	10	11	South Hobart	6	5	0	1	25	9	10
South Hobart	7	4	2	1	19	11	10	Caledonians	6	4	0	2	21	11	8
Sandy Bay	7	3	0	4	11	22	6	Zinc Works	7	2	1	4	12	18	5
Bronte Pk.	7	1	1	5	14	24	3	Metro	7	2	1	4	13	23	5
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**Under 17 (South) Division**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Brighton	7	7	0	0	34	2	14
Prahran	7	5	0	2	27	6	10
Sunshine City	7	5	0	2	28	8	10
South Melb. United	7	5	0	2	23	13	10
Sandringham City	6	2	0	4	7	9	4
Polonia	6	2	0	4	7	16	4
Moorabbin City	7	0	1	6	3	29	1
South Yarra	7	0	1	6	2	48	1

**Under 17 (North) Division**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Moreland	5	4	0	1	36	5	8
Frankston	5	3	0	2	10	4	6
Box Hill	4	3	0	1	5	3	6
Nunawading	5	3	0	2	9	10	6
Preston	4	0	0	4	0	16	0

**Under 20 Division**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Sunshine United	7	6	1	0	29	6	13
Brighton	7	4	2	1	25	6	10
Box Hill	7	5	0	2	15	9	10
Juventus	7	4	1	2	19	11	9
Preston	6	2	1	3	10	13	5
Footscray City	6	2	0	4	13	25	4
Northcote H.S.O.B.	6	1	1	4	8	18	3
Sth. Melb. United	6	1	1	4	8	23	3
Sandringham City	8	1	1	6	8	24	3

**Under 15 Division**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Sth. Melb. United	8	8	0	0	47	2	16
Sunshine City	7	7	0	0	33	1	14
Sunshine United	7	4	1	2	25	7	9
Moorabbin City	8	4	0	4	20	12	8
Coburg United	7	4	0	3	15	10	8
Sandringham City	8	3	1	4	13	27	7
Preston	7	3	1	3	6	14	7

**I.C.I. (Deer Park)**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
I.C.I. (Deer Park)	8	2	0	6	5	35	4
Brighton	8	1	0	7	7	21	2
Box Hill	8	0	1	7	5	47	1

**Under 14 Division**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Box Hill "A"	6	6	0	0	52	1	12
Essendon	7	6	0	1	20	6	12
Brighton "A"	8	6	0	2	22	9	12
Sunshine City	7	5	0	2	46	11	10
Northcote	6	4	0	2	22	18	8
Prahran	7	3	0	4	21	15	6
Sth. Melb. United	7	3	0	4	10	14	6
Coburg United	8	3	0	5	7	34	6
Box Hill "B"	3	1	0	2	4	13	2
Moorabbin City	4	0	0	4	2	15	0
Park Rangers	4	0	0	4	1	33	0
Brighton "B"	7	0	0	7	1	39	0

**METROPOLITAN TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Swinburne	3	3	0	0	4	1	6
South Melbourne	3	3	0	0	10	4	6
Footscray	3	2	0	1	15	7	4
Preston	3	2	0	1	7	4	4
Prahran	3	2	0	1	11	9	4
Brighton	2	1	0	1	5	3	2
Collingwood	2	1	0	1	6	4	2
Caulfield	3	1	0	2	3	11	2
Oakleigh	2	0	0	2	3	5	0
Rox Hill	3	0	0	3	3	8	0
Richmond	3	0	0	3	5	16	0

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# League Tables as at June 1, 1953

## FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Juventus	9	8	1	0	25	8	17
J.U.S.T.	9	7	0	2	34	16	14
Moreland	9	5	1	3	27	12	11
Hakoah	8	5	1	2	29	14	11
Brighton	9	5	0	4	24	23	10
Prahran	9	4	1	4	25	24	9
Yallourn	8	3	1	4	15	18	7
Footscray City	9	3	0	6	12	30	6
Box Hill	9	1	1	7	11	32	3
Park Rangers	9	0	0	9	11	36	0

## Second Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
South Yarra	9	8	1	0	37	10	17
Polonia	9	6	2	1	35	8	14
Geelong	9	6	1	2	25	13	13
White Eagles	9	5	1	3	20	23	11
South Melbourne	9	5	0	4	37	21	10
Sunshine United	8	3	1	4	15	26	7
Sandringham City	8	3	0	5	15	31	6
Preston	9	2	1	6	10	30	5
F.N.D.	9	1	2	6	11	20	4
Sunshine City	9	0	1	8	7	30	1

## Third Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Maccabi	9	7	1	1	28	13	15
Fairfield	9	7	0	2	32	18	14
George Cross	8	6	1	1	30	12	13
Northcote	8	6	0	2	22	11	12

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Dandenong Rovers	9	3	2	4	16	14	8
Frankston	9	2	4	3	21	18	8
Williamstown	9	2	3	4	13	21	7
Coburg	9	2	1	6	15	31	5
Moorabbin City	8	2	0	6	20	29	4
University	8	0	0	8	4	39	0

## Fourth Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Hellenic	7	5	2	0	44	5	12
Marlbyrnong	8	6	0	2	33	14	12
Slovakia	8	4	2	2	29	12	10
Nunawading	8	4	1	3	20	13	9
I.C.I.	8	4	1	3	8	12	9
Slavia	7	4	0	3	26	9	8
Victoria Police	8	4	0	4	36	17	8
Heidelberg	8	1	0	7	10	36	2
Union Jack	8	0	0	8	3	91	0

# Reserve League Tables as at June 8, 1953

## First Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Juventus	9	9	0	0	38	7	18
Brighton	9	6	1	2	28	18	13
Prahran	9	6	1	2	26	17	13
J.U.S.T.	9	6	0	3	23	14	12
Box Hill	9	5	0	4	30	18	10
Footscray City	8	3	0	5	15	13	6
Moreland	8	3	0	5	14	19	6
Yallourn	8	2	1	5	13	16	5
Hakoah	8	1	1	6	8	28	3
Park Rangers	9	1	0	8	7	47	2

## Second Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
South Yarra	9	9	0	0	47	9	18
Polonia	9	7	1	1	51	14	15
Geelong	9	7	1	1	33	16	15
South Melbourne	9	4	2	3	19	16	10
Preston	9	4	1	4	24	20	9
Sunshine City	9	3	2	4	19	17	8
Sunshine United	9	4	0	5	14	25	8
Sandringham City	9	3	1	5	28	32	7
F.N.D.	9	1	1	7	13	36	3
White Eagles	9	0	0	9	8	60	0

## Third Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Shell "A"	9	9	0	0	94	4	18
Fairfield	8	6	1	1	24	24	13
Ukrania	8	5	1	2	18	9	11
Moorabbin City	9	5	1	3	19	19	11
Northcote	7	4	1	2	21	19	9
Coburg	9	3	1	5	13	22	7
Dandenong	8	3	0	5	21	25	6
Williamstown	9	2	0	7	14	50	4
Astor	9	1	1	7	19	48	3
Maccabi	8	1	0	7	5	30	2

## Fourth Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P.
Shell "B"	9	7	2	0	19	7	16
Box Hill	9	7	0	2	39	14	14
South Yarra	9	5	2	2	17	11	12
Polonia	8	4	3	1	22	13	11
Brighton	8	5	0	3	49	11	10
Northcote H.S.O.B.	9	3	0	6	10	29	6
Heidelberg	9	2	1	5	9	29	5
Hellenic	8	2	1	5	18	33	5
Nunawading	8	1	1	6	11	28	3
Moorabbin City	8	1	0	7	7	25	2
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