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Lou Sannipoli of Juventus was the star of the Victorian team that won the national under 18 championship in Adelaide.

So good was Sannipoli that he was named captain of the Australian all-star team chosen from boys who did well in the championships. Other Victorians chosen for that team are EDDIE KRNCCEVIC, TOM O'HALLORAN, ANDY MILLAR and GEORGE CHRISTOPOULOS. What's more, Victoria's coach BOBBY McLACHLAN was named as coach of the national side.

It was the third year in a row that Victoria had reached the final, and the second time that it had won the title.

One of the successes of the tournament was young DARYL GOOCH of Slavia. Only 15 years old, he was passed up by the selectors of the Victorian under 16 team, so McLachlan took him to Adelaide and he played in every one of Victoria's games.

McLachlan praised his team manager Jim Armstrong. "Jim was fantastic with the boys," Mr McLachlan said.

The fact that it took goal averages to decide who played in the final showed the closeness of the competition. In the preliminary rounds, Victoria defeated last year's winners Northern NSW 2-1, then defeated Queensland 3-1.

In the final Victoria met the home side, S.A. at Hindmarsh Stadium in what proved to be a thriller.

The confident Victoria team started the game as though it would be only a matter of how many goals they would win by, but the well drilled S.A. side had other ideas and in the 38th minute, following a corner kick, the Victoria defence was caught flat footed when a shot from just inside the penalty area found its way through a mass of legs to enter the net and put Victoria down 1-0 for the first time in the carnival.

This seemed to stun the Victoria team and the rest of the first half belonged to S.A. except for a magnificent header by EDDIE KRNCCEVIC which the SA goalkeeper, JOHN KONSTANTINOPOULOS, miraculously finger-tipped over the cross bar.

The Victorian dressing room was like a morgue at half time but the silence was shattered when coach McLachlan proceeded to read the riot act, informing each player of how they were letting not only themselves down but also Victoria.

Four minutes later Victoria were leading 2-1 when an amazing transformation came over the game.

First HORATIO MATESEVIC took a cross from the left wing in his stride and blasted the ball into the SA net.

Two minutes later the majestic Victoria captain LOU SANNIPOLI hammered an unsaveable shot past the bewildered SA keeper to put

Victoria into the lead.

For the rest of the game Victoria bombarded the SA goal but some fine goalkeeping and heroic defensive work kept the score down to 2-1.

On hearing the final whistle the Victorian players were overjoyed at their sensational comeback, and it was a proud Lou Sannipoli who held the magnificent trophy high to the enthusiastic cheers and handclaps of his fellow teammates.

Players like JIMMY WILSON and TOMMY O'HALLORAN openly cried with joy as this was their first gold medal after years of trying through the junior ranks and receiving only runners-up medals.

At the reception after the game an Australian squad of 18 players was selected with each player receiving a complete Australian kit.

The squad is:

VIC: Lou Sannipoli (Captain), Eddie Krncevic, Tom O'Halloran, Andy Millar, George Christopoulos.

NSW: Tony Pezzano, Peter Hill, Alan Robertson, Peter Kothlas, Ray Boulter.

SA: Gary Brown, Ian May, Adrian Poulten.

QUEENSLAND: Lloyd McLean, Ken Swan, Paul Sleight.

NTH: NSW: Ross Lawrence, Peter Tredinnick.

Coach: Bobby McLachlan.

VIC: The VICTORIA squad was:

1. Lou Tsigris (Hellas), 2. Jeff Oliver (Albion Rovers), 3. Jim Wilson (Doveton), 4. Mike Shuttleworth (Mooroolbark), 5. George Christopoulos (Coburg), 6. Andy Miller (Slavia), 7. Darryl Gooch (Slavia), 8. Tommy O'Halloran (Ringwood City), 9. Otie Toth (Melbourne), 10. Lou Sannipoli Capt. (Juventus), 11. Joe Callenda (Juventus), 12. Eddie Krncevic Vice Capt. (Lions), 13. Horatio Matesevic (Sunshine), 14. Sandor Nagy (Hakoah), 15. Demos Kouliakas (Collingwood City), 16. Nigel Plaskett (Karingal).

Goalscorers: Krncevic 3, Matesevic 2, O'Halloran 1, Sannipoli 1, Gooch 1, Plaskett 1.



Lou Sannipoli



Andy Millar



Daryl Gooch



Eddie Krncevic

The brothers Groenewald

Some brilliant play by defender Johnathan Groenewald was a highlight of the Victorian under 15's championship win in Sydney.

Groenewald is the younger brother of Gary Groenewald, who played for Melbourne and South Melbourne Hellas and is now with Hakoah.

Other stars in the Victorian under 15 team were forward Steve Cairns and midfielder Peter Clayton.

Victoria started hesitantly but finished the series in top gear.

Final standings were: Victoria 13 points, Western Australia 12, South Australia 11, Queensland 9, Northern NSW 9, NSW 9, Tasmania 7, Northern Territory 3, ACT 0.

Victoria's results and scorers: v. WA 2-0, Cairns, Giocomi, v. Tasmania 3-0, Lucchetti, Spaglia, Pinchner, v. Queensland 1-2, Little, v. Northern NSW 3-0, Cairns, Little, Pinchner, v. South Australia 2-0, Little, Spaglia, v. ACT 5-0, Lucchetti 3, Christoudias, Clayton penalty, v. NSW 2-0, McNally, Little.

JOEY GAUCI — STAR OF U.14

Forward Joey Gauci of Moe United was the star of the Victorian team that won the national under 14 title. He scored three goals and was a constant threat to

unbeaten

Results have been: Healesville 2-0 w/o; *Austria 3-1; Doncaster 5-0; Peninsula Meadow Park 2-0.

Ron McHallen is the team's top goaler with 37 goals, which includes six hat-tricks.

McHallen is an outstanding midfielder in Paul 'Rusty' Fletcher, who has the main link in the team's outstanding defence and has scored 12 goals.

Other players who regard Rusty as a future star player, even though he is only ten old.

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THE NEWS on soccer

PLENTY NEW RECRUITS

venue for new rooms

FRANKSTON City Soccer Club is eager to start the 1977 season.

The club has gone through minor divisions and this year has been promoted to the State League - Victoria's top soccer division.

Frankston City Soccer Club was formed in early 1950. In the early 1950's Frankston started playing on a ground at the foot of Frankston Technical School.

The club's headquarters became the Heron Reservoir in 1955. Frankston now feels it has gone through a ground accommodation problem with a new venue being formed on McClelland Drive.

Frankston Council has given the club tenure of the ground.

The club proposes to build club rooms, including lounge and bar facilities, at the ground.

People interested in membership of the club should telephone 783 9594 after hours.

ABOVE: The proposed new club rooms.

Mr Hans Gussenhoven, chairman.

AS PART of Vic's continuing equipment improvement scheme, the new gear at Bussell's are to be replaced, and a new system installed.

The conversion was completed last Sunday. The new system is known as manual beam burners, which are controlled from the stationmaster's office. The new system will provide for greater safety and less interference to motorists.

ABOVE: The proposed new club rooms.

Mr Hans Gussenhoven, chairman.

George, Billy Lewis, Billy Buchanan, Ernie Merricks, Ian Stables and Ross Murray, 16.

Frankston is coached by coach, Johnny Pryde. Pryde has played in Scotland, South Africa and Australia.

Joe McLean is assistant coach. Mr Greg Burgess is club manager. Tom Lloyd is club trainer.

Mr Hans Gussenhoven, 26, is Frankston City's club chairman.

Players still with the club are Bobby Adams, Andy

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Adams and David Garthwaite are the leading contenders at Ringwood Wilhelmina.

Adams would be the most conspicuous of the trio on 1976 form, but Kent is capable of much better things than he showed last year, and new coach **Dick van Alphen** will expect him to give his best.

Sandy Irvine, former international and State star, will pick up votes galore with Frankston City.

He is brilliant in the air, uncompromising in the tackle and his furious dashes upfield are spectacular even to a referee.

Polonia is too often ignored by the referees.



Sandy Irvine
(Frankston)

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tract form.



Taking on a man

Two Frankston players demonstrate the art of taking 'em on during their Victorian Ampol Cup match against Slavia.

Above: Billy Buchanan is about to bring the ball down in front of Les Owens, while, at left: Andy Savage prepares to go around Jim Symington.

Pictures by SAM BELFONTE.



Jan Shanks (Frankston) tries desperately to clear Wallace's shot as Lewis and other Frankston defenders look on helplessly. Picture by SAM BELFONTE.

Fitness fails for Frankston

Frankston looked good in the first half, especially when, young Mark Dall burst through Lions' defence but an appalling lack of fitness cost the seassiders dearly.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Frankston was simply unable to continue running, allowing Essendon to take over in the second half and finally win with a goal by Johnny Wallace, playing his second game since transferring from Hakoah.

David Gorrie (ex-Hellas, Juventus, Brighton) added valuable guile to Frankston's play but he couldn't last the distance.

His partner in many impressive one-tuos, John Pryde, also made an early exit.

Essendon once again failed dismally on the wings — a weakness that was partly compensated for by the relative prominence of full backs Ivan Ivanovic and George Train, overlapping well to

provide at least a little drive on the flanks.

Overall, this was a terribly boring match for the spectators, lacking finesse, and marred by countless mistakes by both sides.

The good players — Sandy Irvine, Drago Krajinica, Bill Buchanan, Ernie Merrick, Ivan Grujicic and a few others — were impressive only compared with the others on the field who were, in the main, woeful.

Frankston started full of spirit and Dall just shot wide after being set up by Gorrie.

Then Lions goalkeeper Petrovski could only repel a shot from Gorrie, who missed well and truly at his second attempt.

Dall burst through well

on a through ball but was stopped by a good tackle from George Train and Gorrie ended the move with another miss.

At the other end Nick Kusmanov put the ball into the net but it was ruled offside.

Lions started the season promising big achievements. So far there's been no sign that they can live up to their promise — especially not without Billy Vojtek, banned over that ridiculous, political pop record incident (see page one).

No, on this form Lions does not pose a threat to mighty George Cross.

Neither does Frankston.

Anyway, back to the game.

Memorable incidents were few, but one does recall that Ernie Merrick cleared a shot by Kusmanov off the line and that Kuzmanov missed after having lured Terry Hawke well out of goal.

Essendon made an incredible move when it took off Drago Krajinica to give John Gardiner a run.

Why on earth did Krajinica have to go? He was having a good game and he's an extremely promising player with a big future.

Hawke made a great save from Grujicic's fine shot shortly before the end and with two minutes to go, John Wallace angled home the winning goal from a ball delivered by Ivanovic.



Frankston forward Billy Buchanan (right) battled for the ball with Polonia's Menichelli (left) and Marian Jaworski.

Bitter sweet victory

By Les Shorrock

Frankston duly won its game against Section A's chopping-block, Ringwood, but the victory was not without its aftermath of bitterness as Terry Hawke stormed home vowing he wouldn't play for Frankston again.

Hawke was taken off at half-time to give young Nick Burgess a taste of the State League and performed reasonably well, as did Frankston's other youngsters, Neil Hubbard and Mark Dall.

Just how much of Frankston's win can be attributed to improvement and how much to the weak opposition only time will tell, for Ringwood offered only token resistance.

Frankston was shocked at the two minute mark when Chris Kent left completely unmarked on the left was able to pick his spot and drive past Hawke.

But at the 20 minute mark Westerveld equalised against his old club, and after that Ringwood was never in the hunt.

Frankston's best player, Andy Savage, notched a second and near the end Billy Spears put the issue beyond doubt with a third goal.

It is very difficult to find anything comforting to say about Ringwood's present plight, and its goal average of 4-15 is a fair reflection of its play, the defence is awful and the attack, with the exception of Chris Kent, is equally bad.

Frankston will be strengthened by the ar-

lespie and other players are expected from overseas soon.

At any rate they could have had a much harder baptism in the State League than their opening fixture, which is against Ringwood.

Wilkinson

Billy Wilkinson, United States Player of the Year in 1975, and this year player-coach of George Cross, has started off on the right foot by winning the best player award in this Year's Ampol Cup, on referee's votes. Billy got the vote in four games out of the five.

Ivica Grujicic leads the goalscorers table in the Ampol Cup, but with two



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FRANKSTON CITY: 3
(Westerveld 20, Savage 50, Spears 65).

RINGWOOD: 1 (Kent 2)
FRANKSTON: Hawke (sub Burgess 35), Murray 5, Irvine 6, Adams 5, Hubbard 5, Lewis 5, Van Dyk 5, Westerveld 6, Savage 7, Buchanan 5, Dall 5 (sub Spears 5).

RINGWOOD: Kreskas 4, Adams 5, Van Duppen 4, (sub Vernier 5), Mullett 4, Plumb 4, Curulli 4, Eggers 5, Schott 5, O'Callaghan 5, Kent 7

Will new players decide?

Surprise League leaders Frankston City visit Polonia this week and with their new-found confidence could easily come away with a point.

George Cross, also with full points have a tough fight on their hands, taking on Sunshine City at Chaplin Reserve, whilst Hakoah receive Altona City, who have made a good start so far, with two well earned draws.

At Olympic Park, Juventus, unbeaten so far, take on Green Gully, who are better than their record suggests. Green Gully's new players might take a little longer yet to settle in, which points to a Juve win.

Ringwood City also have new players finding their feet and they take on a disappointing Lions, still pointless. Preston will be anxious to make amends for last week's display at Frankston and will make Slavia fight all the way, but Slavia should be good for a point.

Likely winners in caps.
SUNSHINE CITY v George Cross; Ringwood v LIONS; Preston v Slavia; Polonia v Frankston; HAKOAH v Altona City; JUVENTUS v Green Gully
— LES SHORROCK.

Albert Brown converted the penalty coolly and efficiently. The half-time score was 1-1.

At the 75 minute mark **Con Ignatides** put Altona City in front, converting a cross from **Jim Ackers**, but with the points apparently safe in Altona's keeping, the defence failed to get the ball away and **Andy Czapnik** snatched a valuable point for Polonia.

The moral is that you cannot afford to relax at this level.

However, Altona's prospects look infinitely brighter now than they did during the Ampol Cup.

Albert Brown is going to prove a valuable acquisition, as is **Robert Taylor** when he settles down.

FRANKSTON 1 (Webster 30) PRESTON 0.

Frankston: Peterson, Merrick (sub Campbell), Irvine, Adams, Gillespie, Buchanan, Webster, Savage (Spears) Westerveld, Dall, Eadie.

PRESTON: Laumets, Trajkowski, Cambell, McAleer, Petrovski, Bernard, Brewerton, Petrov, Fiherty, Daniels, Beech.

Frankston City seems determined to turn the form book upside down. Last Sunday they downed fancied Preston to jump to League leadership.

Preston coach **Micke de Bruyckere** didn't mince words after the game. He kept his players back for half an hour and harangued them behind a closed dressing room door.

"We have a better team on paper than we had last year, yet we failed to beat two promoted Metro teams so far", he stormed.

To imply, however that Preston threw the game away would be doing Frankston an injustice, for the Bay City Rollers well deserved their victory.

Andy Savage missed a penalty early in the game, but **Keith Webster** compensated by scoring at the 30 minute mark with a 25 yard shot that went through **Laumet's** hands.

Preston had more of the game in the second half, but **Sandy Irvine** and his backs stood firm, and Preston's persistent at-

tempts to go through the middle probably made their task easier.

Frankston's newest import **Gus Eadie**, who arrived only 24 hours before the game from Hong Kong, caused the Preston defence no end of bother with his dash, and indeed all Frankston's front-runners kept the Preston back men at full stretch.

Best for Preston was **Frank Campbell**, whilst **Gus Eadie** and **Sandy Irvine** shone for Frankston.

GREEN GULLY 0 GEORGE CROSS 1 (Reed 1)

GREEN GULLY: Borg, J. Thompson, Donaldson, Berens, Cole, Miller, McGill, Banagan M. Hamill, Segi, T. Banagan.

GEORGE CROSS: Kastner, McConville, Outajar, Outajar, Webb, Maitland, P. Murphy, Cullen, Wilkinson, Reed, Kelly, Ebini (sub Papis).

Green Gully's great day, the club's first home State League game, went off without a hitch before over 3,000 highly enthusiastic spectators, who, let it be said, behaved themselves impeccably.

The icing on the cake would have been a home win, but **Ken Reed** snatched victory for Georgie in the 81st minute when he rose high above the Gully defence to head home a well-flighted free kick from **Billy Wilkinson**.

Green Gully's determination to stay in top company has been demonstrated by the purchase of **Peter Donaldson**, **Les Thompson**, and **Ian Miller** from Fitzroy and the arrival of former Hull City captain **Jim McGill**.

Coach **Ian Petherick** expressed his satisfaction with his team's effort, despite this second loss.

"It was 100% better than last week's effort," said Ian. "When these new players settle in here, we are going to be a force to be reckoned with, you can be sure of that".

George Cross heads the table as a result of their win, despite the absence of **Derek Barron** who had to leave for Scotland last week.

Outstanding for Georgie were **Norm**

Team of the week

CLARKE
(Slavia)

DONALDSON
(G. Gully)

MAITLAND
(George X)

IRVINE
(Frankston)

BRKLJACIC
(Lions)

MCCARTHY
(Sunshine)

BANNON
(Juventus)

BROWN
(Altona)

CUMMING
(Sunshine)

EADIE
(Frankston)

WATKINS
(Juventus)

MORNINGTON, FRANKSTON WITHDRAW

THE following changes have been made to Victorian under-20 and thirds fixtures:

UNDER-20: Fixtures completely re-drawn but since then, Mornington and Frankston City have withdrawn, leaving two byes.

SOUTH DIVISION: Unchanged. There is a bye in this division.

WEST DIVISION: Coburg to take the place of Williamstown, University of Melbourne to take the bye. Eltham has withdrawn, leaving a bye.

EAST DIVISION: Williamstown to take place of Dandenong City. Williamstown's ground for this competition only will be Migrant Hostel, Westall Road, Springvale. No byes in this division.

A good defence is better than an off-side trap

Polonia 0, Frankston 4, (Dall 35, Eadie 47, Savage 47, Webster 63).

Polonia: Ostrowski 6, Dimitriou 5, Woite 4, Kotter 6, Jaworski 6, Czapnik 6, Nierobisz 5, Hortliak 5, Esposito 6, Klain 5, Humphreys 5.

Frankston: Peterson 6, Gillespie 3, Irvine 7, Adams 6, Campbell 6, Lewis 6, Webster 7, Buchanan 6, Savage 5 (sub Spensers 75) Eadie 6, Dall 5 (sub Westerveld HT 5).

Frankston City annihilated Polonia at Maribyrnong on Sunday and the score was a fair reflection of its superiority.

Victorian State League round-up by LES SHORROCK.

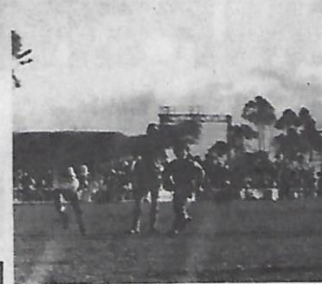
Polonia started off full of running and looked likely to over-run the Frankston defence, but Frank Peterson in the Frankston goal saved well from Andy Czapnik and Ralph Esposito.

When the Frankston mid-field got a grip and started to probe the Polonia defence, Mark Dall and Gus Eadie were caught offside several times, and it was

noticeable that the Polonia back four were playing very square.

The repeated offside decisions must have lulled the defence into a sense of false security, for, at the 35 minute mark, young Dall collected another through ball and whilst the defenders stood appealing for offside he had the simplest of tasks to run on and score.

This episode was the



Paul Murphy of George Cross scores for

turning point for Polonia for 12 minutes later, with the defence still unsettled and appealing to the linesman, Andy Savage pounced on a ball and astutely slipped it to Gus Eadie who slammed it home with great glee.

Minutes later, Frankston should have gone further ahead when once again Dall sprinted past a stationary, appealing defence, but this time the youngster, scarcely believing his good fortune kept glancing across to the linesman and eventually dribbled into Larry Ostrowski.

After the interval, Andy Savage hooked one into the top corner with the half only two minutes old.

Polonia's forwards started to appear in the vicinity of the Frankston penalty box, but oh, how they fiddled about.

During this period Polonia could have got back into the game and when referee Stirling awarded them a penalty it seemed that they would, but Fred Dimitriou blasted the spotkick high over the bar and then, just to rub it in, Frankston scored again.

Westerveld, who had come on for the injured Mark Dall at halftime, sprinted away down the left, rounded Jurgen Woite with ease and squared the ball to Keith Webster who easily beat Ostrowski from point-blank range.

Polonia's woes didn't end there though, for a certain amount of frustration crept into its play and after one particularly hard tackle, Hugh Humphreys was sent off.

Frankston's superiority was so marked by then that coach John Pryde gave the limping Sandy Irvine a rest, and having already substituted Bill Spears for Andy Savage, Frankston played the last ten minutes with ten men too.

Sandy Irvine had been the best man on the ground, playing with almost nonchalant

superiority. He is a key figure in what must be easily the biggest defence in the League.

Ringwood 4 (Scott, 15, 50, 60, 75), Essendon Lions 2 (Murphy 30, Krnjovic 70).

Ringwood: Rowe, Adams, Plumb, De Bruyckere, Verniers, Jones, Schott, O'Callaghan, Williamson, Scott, Kent.

Essendon: Liass, Kennedy, Bilaver, Ivanovic (sub Krajina), Gunn, Train, Culina, Vojtek, Wallace, Kuzmanov (sub Andrews), Krnjovic, Murphy.

In only his second game in this country, Andrew Scott of Ringwood City has burst onto the State League scene like a bombshell, scoring all his side's four goals against Essendon Lions on Sunday.

Scott scored his first after 15 minutes, when John Kennedy, making his debut for Lions, dropped the ball, but Lions equalised 15 minutes later when George Train gave Ken Murphy a good pass after overlapping.

Lions fell apart after the interval, with Vojtek limping after a hard tackle, and Scott banged in two more at 50 and 60 minutes.

Lions rallied somewhat and Krnjovic reduced the arrears after a good pass from Hugh Gunn.

Five minutes later, however, Scott put the issue beyond doubt with his fourth.

Howard Andrews replaced Kuzmanov and will be an asset when he is match fit.

Jewetta 2 (Sabadussi 18, Bannon 35).

Green Gully 2 (Segi 8, Hamill 70).

Jewetta: Graham, Sabadini, Tarquinio, Walker, Della Rocca, Bannon, Watkins, Sabadussi, Armstrong (Sub Bonfieni) Pflister, Mainenti (Sub Sanipoli).

HELLAS, RIGBY

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Have you ever considered how insignificant you really are, how corporations, institutions and bureaucrats control your very existence and personal hygiene, ie, the Gas and Fuel Corporation and the S.E.C.

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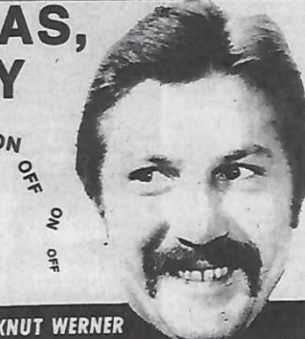
What does this have to do with Dave Rigby you ask?

Well, poor Dave Rigby is caught in the merry carousel of the Soccer Circus and Gin Party Corporation.

You see, Dave has simple pleasures. He wants to play soccer and he wants to play it with Hellas (South Melbourne or Souths or Philips South or whatever).

But, he is contracted to Mooroolbark (or Barkers or Philips Barkers or whatever).

So the plot thickens. Sam Pappasavas,



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Friday: Manager Jones rings' baffled Pappasavas.

"I am not a persona non grata nor a null and void nor a verbal resignee. I am still in control here and what I say goes. Don't listen to anyone else. They don't know what they are doing."

"Look, take two aspirin and ring me after your committee beatings," advises ear-aching Pappasavas.

So Dave Rigby does not play soccer last weekend.

Dave Rigby has electricity and gas (?), but he has no pay, and

this cartoon power struggle.

In his own words, he is considering moving to Sydney if there is no suitable decision reached.

He refuses to play for Mooroolbark again or be used as the shuttle-cock in the elimination match of manager Jones' and president Bailey's private badminton game.

It seems strange that if anyone of us did not like, or could not be satisfied, by our employer, we have the ability to say: "Up yours" and seek employment else-

Team of the week

JOHNSON
(Sunshine)

RAINEY
(Hakoah)

IRVINE
(Frankston)

WILKINSON
(George)

GILLESPIE
(Frankston)

BROWN
(Altona)

McGILL
(Green Gully)

WEBSTER
(Frankston)

WATKINS
(Juventus)

SCOTT
(Ringwood)

FLAHERTY
(Preston)

S SHORROCK.

whatever the reason, it became very casual as the game wore on.

Ringwood started to look dangerous late in the second half, with both **Phil Williamson** and **Chris Kent** putting in telling runs.

Altona 1 (Little 83) Juventus 0.

Altona City. Van der Poel, Copley, Gramsbergen, Murray, Lord, Ackers, Davidson, Brown, Ignatides, Taylor (sub Little), Waters.

Juventus. Graham, Sabadini, Tarquinio, Walker, Della Rocca, Bannon, Watkins, Sabadusi, Mainenti (Sanipoli), Hotson, Pfisterer (sub Armstrong).

Altona City maintained its good League form with two points at the expense of Juventus.

Juventus were weakened by injuries to **Armstrong** and **Di Marchi** and newly arrived **John Hotson** from Morton had to play despite illness.

There was a good crowd of about 1400 and most Altona supporters considered it the best game seen at Altona, but the ground, once Altona's pride and joy, suffered badly during the Easter floods and is still in a bad state.

Defences dominated all day, with **Bob Gramsbergen** and **Hans van der Poel** outstanding for Altona, and it was only seven minutes from the end that **Nat Little**, substituting for **Bob Taylor**, scored the all important goal.

Frankston City 0, Hakoah 0.

Frankston: Petersen, Gilliespie, Campbell, Adams, Irvine, Webster, (sub Murray), Buchanan, Savage, Westerveld (sub Spears) Dall, Eadie.

Hakoah: O'Hara, Rainey, Valli, Jordanou, Baker, Gadsby.

Greenwald (sub De Placido), McNeil, Black, Edmondson, Blair.

As the score indicates, this was a battle of defences. Hakoah visited the joint League leaders for their first League game ever at Frankston and were very happy to come away with a point.

Hakoah's strong point is its defence and this was most evident on Sunday, with **David Baker** in Rothman Medal form and the ebullient **Mike O'Hara** in his best 'they shall not pass' mood.

Frankston got a little frustrated with the refereeing in the first half and coach **John Pryde** was reported after a heated exchange at the interval.

Frankston exerted a lot of pressure in the last twenty minutes without however, looking like scoring.

The encounter was not without its incidents and referee **Tudor Jenkins** found it necessary to book six players besides **John Pryde**.

It could be that someone lost some teeth too, as Frankston forward **Mark Dall** has a set of teeth-marks in his shoulder.

Green Gully 1 (Segi 60).

Sunshine City 1 (Cumming 75).

Green Gully. Denys, P. Banagan, J. Thompson, Berens, Donaldson, Millier, McGill, T. Banagan, Segi, Patton, Hamill (sub L. Thompson).

Sunshine City. Johnson, Gilmour, Howe, Mussel, Dixey, Hewson (sub Laing), McCarthy, McRobert, Cumming, Piotrowski (sub Lewis), Pocock.

Green Gully, the State League's big spenders were at it again last week, this time they snapped up **Lou Denys**, from St Albans and **John Patton** from Slavia.



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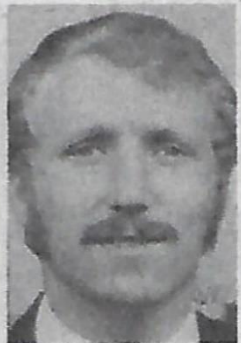
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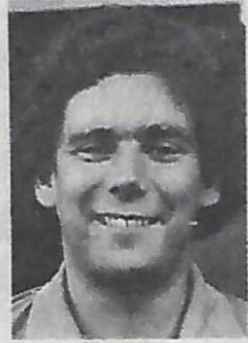
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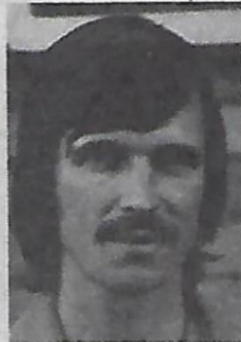
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English leaders

Recruits turn pushover into a giant

Frankston City is the season's success story so far.

Anyone who watched Frankston's pathetic efforts in the Victorian Ampol Cup would have laughed hysterically had it been suggested that Frankston would be a contender for the State League championship.

Yet due to some shrewd recruiting, Frankston has become just that!

Goalkeeper **Frank Peterson** (ex-George Cross, Kellor — Austria and South Melbourne



Sandy Irvine (ex-Juventus) — played for Australia in 1969 and 1970.

Hellas) has been bought from Essendon Lions (this guy gets around!)

Eric Gillespie has been imported from Petershill in Scotland and striker **Gus Eadie** was flown in from Hong Kong.

Keith Webster, still one of the shrewdest midfielders around, was added from Fitzroy Alexander. Before Fitzroy he was with Juventus where, together with Frankston's **Sandy Irvine**, he played in the great 1970 team which won the championship, Dockerty Cup and State League Cup.

Another recruit is experienced **David Gorrie**, bought from Brighton. He went to Brighton after being player-coach of Juventus. Before that he was a leading forward and midfielder with South Melbourne Hellas.

Andy Savage also comes from Hellas. He is highly skilful and has proved valuable as a midfielder or forward.

Frankston is fortunate to have a young player as talented as **Mark Fall** who has the speed to beat any defence and who is fast

By **LAURIE SCHWAB**

developing a sharp goal sense.

Bill Buchanan and **Ernie Merrick** have been valuable players for Frankston and it would be a pity to see them leave.

Frankston now has the players, and administrators — including former national team manager John Barclay — to aim for the title. The team, that was a pushover two months ago has grown into a giant.

Not bad for a club that's newly promoted!



Goalkeeper Frank Peterson, ex-George Cross, Austria, Hellas and Lions.

JUVENTUS 2 (Hotson, Watkins 85) FRANKSTON C.O

JUVENTUS: Hardy 6, Bonfieni 6, Tarquinio 5, Walker 6, Della Rocca 6, Bannon 8, Watkins 7, Sabidussi 4, Mainenti 3, Pfisterer 6, Hotson 8

FRANKSTON: Petersen 6, Murray R4 (Spears 5), Irvine 6, Adams 6, Campbell 6, Gillespie 6, Buchanan 7, Webster 6, Savage 6, Edie 6, Dall 5 (Gorrie H.T. 4).

Juventus easily defeated Frankston City at Olympic Park on Saturday and gave notice that it is going to play a very big part in this year's championship.

Juve also produced another top class winger in **John Hotson**, who, with ordinary luck, could have had a hat-trick in the first 20 minutes.

Coach **Bobby McLachlan** who is renowned for putting a lot of thought into his pre-match preparation, excelled himself for this game.

Faced with the problem of having **Jim Armstrong** and **Dino DeMarchi** immobile with injuries he pulled **Uli Pfisterer** back to the sweeper position and released **Steve Walker** to the midfield.

Tony Mainenti was sent out with specific instructions to mark **Sandy Irvine** and he carried out that part of his task so effectively that big Sandy was never able to sally up the ground and lend support to the front runners.

Also in a surprise move, Bobby left out **Hugh Graham** and put **Mick Harby** back in goal and big Nick grasped the opportunity gladly and was very safe.

The game opened brightly for Juve and there was a hint of things to come when **Maurice Bonfieni** was able to advance and cross an accurate ball for **John Hotson**, to belt home from close range.

For the next 20 minutes the Juventus wingers, **Mick Watkins** and **John Hotson**, gave the Frankston defenders a terrible roasting.

Mick Watkins, who was doubtful with a bad cold until the morning of

the game is as everybody but the State coach appreciates, one of the best attackers in Victoria, but Hotson was a revelation.

As young **Ross Murray** would tell you, he has a dozen tricks up his sleeve and it was no disgrace to Murray that he was unable to cope. In fact, I was amazed that the Frankston coach, whoever he was let it go on.

At least **Gus Edie** was under no illusions as to where the danger lay. He kicked Hotson at the first opportunity, and surprisingly although the incident happened right under the referee **Momont's** nose, he didn't even speak to Edie about it. That slowed down Hotson for a while, but even so he put in two diving headers that luckily for **Frank Petersen** in the Frankston goal, went narrowly wide.

Juventus had a hatful of chances in the first half nevertheless, with Watkins and Hotson ghosting into open spaces and how Armstrong must have been longing to get on the end of some of the crosses that went whistling across the Frankston box with no-one to convert them.

At half-time Frankston took off young **Mark Dall** and put on **Dave Gorrie** against his old side, but that was no improvement, as Gorrie only went through the motions and didn't cause the occasionally jittery Juve backs any additional problems at all.

Also in another inexplicable move, when **Ross Murray** went down injured or exhausted, or both, **Bill Spears**, a front runner came on and stayed a full-back!

Norrie Campbell, a big strong defender, was playing up front then and I was sure they would have been swapped over, but they weren't.

For the losers, **Billy Buchanan** has a very good game and he never gave up, but **Keith Webster** never contributed anything to a midfield already weakened by the transfer of **Billy Lewis** to Frankston Pines.

Billy is too good and too whole-hearted a player to be wasting his

time in the Provisional League.

Another Frankston player who never gave up was **Eric Gillespie** who, like **John Hotson**, has a wealth of experience but he seems to be given a different position each week and it is clearly unsettling.

Frankston threatened to do something in the second half and after only six minutes **Norrie Campbell** had a good chance, but headed high over the bar.

Straight away, Juventus came back and **Mainenti** chased and caught a long ball, only to shoot weakly wide, and then **Hotson** popped up again like a ghost and hit one straight at **Petersen** and there was an air about Juve's play that said another goal must come, the only surprising aspect being that it took so long.

It was five minutes from the end in fact, when **Mick Watkins** cut inside and hit a screamer that left **Petersen** helpless as it flashed into the top corner.

Juventus is still waiting for a striker and a midfielder from Scotland and when they arrive and settle into the pattern, this team is going to be very hard to beat.

Bobby McLachlan can thank his lucky stars that the bizarre State team selection has left his club alone, for no-one watching State League matches regularly (as the State coach obviously doesn't), could possibly leave out **Jed Bannon**, **Micky Watkins** and **John Hotson**.

The best man on the ground was **Jed Bannon**, and I almost added, as usual.

HAKOAH 1 (Baker pen. 38; SLAVIA 0

HAKOAH: O'Hara 6, Rainey 7, Nagy 6, Jordanou 6, Baker 6, Gadsby 6, Blair 6 (sub Black 75, 5), McNeil 6, Roberts 6, Edmondson 6, De Placido 6

SLAVIA: Clarke 6, Thompson 7, Owens 6, Moore 6, Westley 6, Symington (s/o 80), Ferraro 5 (sub McFarlane H.T.), Train 7, Gilder 6, Pye 6, O'Halloran 6, (sub Cain).

Mick Watkins, Juventus allowed Slavia back into the game and suffered the penalty when Slavia scored three times.

Juventus was disorganised after **Pat Della Rocca** had to go off with a neck injury.

Juventus were a different side after the interval, but although **Jed Bannon** pulled one back, the equaliser eluded them.

Clarke was in magnificent form in the Slavia goal, and saved well from **Watkins**, **Sabadussi** and **Lucchesi**.

FRANKSTON 1 (Eadie 65) ALTONA CITY 1 (Brown 75).

FRANKSTON. Petersen, Gillespie, Adams, Irvine, Campbell, Webster, Buchanan, Gorrie, Savage, Eadie, Dall (sub Spears 80).

ALTONA CITY. van der Poel, Pedley, Lord, Gramsbergen, Murray, Ackers, Watters, Brown, Ignatides, Taylor, Little.

The high wind somewhat marred this hard-fought, close game at North Seaford Reserve on Sunday.

Gus Eadie got Frankston's goal at the 65th minute in a hectic goalmouth scramble

following a corner, but Altona were not to be outdone and equalised ten minutes later, when **Albert Brown** bent a freekick round the wall.

Norrie Campbell was virtually impassable at full back for Frankston and **Irvine** and **Adams** were not far behind him.

Albert Brown, **Hans van der Poel** and **George Watters** were Altona's best.

GREEN GULLY 1 (Berens 38) RINGWOOD C 1 (Scott 15).

GREEN GULLY: Denys, P. Banagan, J. Thompson, Berens, Donaldson, McGill, Miller, L. Thompson, Segi (sub Hamill), Patton, Vassallo.

RINGWOOD C. Wroe, Adams, Verniers, De Bruyckere, Plumb, O'Callaghan (sub Eggers), Luyten, Schott, Williamson, Scott, Jones.

This was a game of two halves, with a good first half and a dreadful second.

Both coaches expressed disappointment at the standard of the game, although **Lew Stafrace** was pleased with the debut of Malta's World Cup captain, **Willy Vassallo**.

Once he gets used to con-

He's right, of course, what will be, will be, and George will be in the four, for sure, and what's more, will take a power of beating for the championship.

As for Juventus, its players were full of admiration for the part that **Lou Kastner** played in his side's victory, for without him the score could have ended up something like 6-4 in Juventus' favour.

Juventus created far more chances than did **George Cross**, but they couldn't beat **Kastner**, or they couldn't shoot straight, whilst **George's** chances were all knocked in.

SLAVIA 0, FRANKSTON C 0.

SLAVIA. Clarke, F. Thompson, O'Halloran (sub Owens), Westley, Cain, Train, Moore, Smith (Pye) Ripley, Gilder, Benny.

FRANKSTON. C. Petersen, Gillespie, Campbell, Adams, Irvine, Webster, Buchanan (sub Bray), Gorrie, Savage, Eadie, Dall.

As the score suggests, this was a battle of defences all day, with forwards unable to make any headway.

Paul Smith, a midfielder from Cambridge United, made a promising debut for Slavia.

Slavia had slightly the better of the game in the first half

and Frankston came into it after the interval, with a couple of sharp chances coming **Andy Savage's** way.

Slavia coach, **Ken Kontra**, was disappointed that he surrendered a point at home, but gave credit to Frankston.

"They came for a point and they got it," he said. Frankston's defence was well marshalled by **Sandy Irvine**, and Frankston officials were particularly pleased with the display of **Eric Gillespie**.

ESSENDON LIONS 3 (Murphy 20,80, Krncevic 42), ALTONA C 3 (Taylor 15, Brown 55, Ignatides 65).

ESSENDON LIONS. Kennedy, Bilaver, Train, Kokoska, Kulyk, Andrews (sub Brkjevic), Culina (Krajina), Wallace, Kuzmanov, Krncevic, Murphy K.

ALTONA C. Van der Poel, Pedley Lord, Murray, Gramsbergen, Banagan M., Watters, Brown, Ignatides, Taylor, Little (sub Ackers).

Lions took the lead two minutes before half time when **Eddie Krncevic** took advantage of a free kick chip-

Frankston is next hurdle for 'Cross

The defeat of Hakoah by Ringwood City means that George Cross is now the only undefeated team in the State League.

The other significant result in last week's round was the home defeat of Frankston. Frankston had conceded only two goals in its previous seven games, but Lions, bolstered by two new players, **Alan Kerr** and **George McMillan** from Perth, were irresistible and won easily.

Altona City continued its remarkable draw record by taking a point off leaders George Cross in an entertaining match at Kim Reserve.

Green Gully slumped to second last after the one-nil defeat at Slavia's hands, but is still four points clear of Polonia. Polonia is having difficulty in scoring a goal, let alone winning a point.

Ringwood City, ebullient after the good win over Hakoah, will be hard pressed to contain the lively Juventus forwards, and will do well to take a point.

Makedonia, under new coach **Jim Adam**, could prove too strong for Hakoah.

Forecast, with likely winners in capitals:

Saturday; George Cross v Frankston (draw)

Sunday; GREEN GULLY v Polonia, ESSENDON LIONS v Slavia, SUNSHINE C v Altona, Ringwood C v JUVENTUS, MAKEDONIA v Hakoah.

Team of the week

KASTNER (George X)			
RAINEY (Hakoah)	BREWERTON (Preston)	WESTLEY (Slavia)	PEDLEY (Altona)
KERR (Lions)	BUCHANAN (Frankston)	BANNON (Juventus)	
WATKINS (Juventus)	O'CALLAGHAN (Ringwood)	BROWN (Altona)	

Coaches in strife

By LES SHORROCK

Two coaches in strife this week are Joe Wilson of Altona and John Pryde.

Pryde parted from Frankston City 'by mutual consent', after the committee refused to consider certain demands made by him.

Joe McLean is the caretaker coach and assistant Gordon Cameron has also resigned. With Andy Savage dissatisfied and asking for a transfer, and Gus Eadie also being told to pull his socks up, the Bay City Rollers will soon be wearing a new image.

Joe Wilson was suspended for 11 weeks by the State League Tribunal for allegedly abusing the referee after Altona's home draw with George Cross.

John Pryde drew six weeks for the same offence earlier in the season and had it reduced to two weeks on appeal.

I said at the time that his sentence was unjust, in that it punished so many more people than the guilty one.

A suspended coach is not able to take part in the club's activities.

Surely a fine would be more appropriate for this type of offence.

Sometimes I marvel at the thought processes of the State Tribunal. I know that in Pryde's case, when they suspended him, they thought he was a player with Frankston City when in fact he plays for Frankston Pines, which, of course is in a different League altogether.

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S v Polonia. Sunday: Lions v
Sunshine (draw); FRANKSTON
ston (draw); GREEN GULLY v

goal in State League soccer, but it'll be a while before he scores again, as he broke a bone in his leg and will be in plaster for two weeks.

This good win of Juve's which most spectators voted their best display for many years should finally stifle the knockers of coach Bobby McLachlan, whom one Sunday writer seems to think is on his way out.

Bob McLachlan was full of praise after the match saying it was a very good all round team effort, and it was obvious that now Charlie Smith is with the club of his choice he is going to have a profound effect on the rest of the State League season.

FRANKSTON 4 (Eadie 16, Pen 80, Spears 35, Savage 55), SUNSHINE 3 (Gilmour 6, Pocock 60, Tracey o.g. 85)

FRANKSTON: Petersen, Gillespie, Campbell, Adams, Irvine, Gorrie (sub Tracey 65), Savage, Bray, Westerveld, Eadie, Spears.

SUNSHINE: Johnson, Howe, Lewis, Dixey, Mussel, McCarthy, Nelson, Gilmour, Pocock, T. Banagan, Cumming.

Sunshine shocked Frankston by taking the lead

after only six minutes. Stewart Gilmour shook off tackles from Bobby Adams and Sandy Irvine and crashed the ball home from an acute angle.

Frankston equalised ten minutes later after a good run by Billy Spears, who cut the ball back for Gus Eadie to run on to it and score.

Then Billy Spears made it 2-1 for Frankston when he hit home a Westerveld cross.

Ten minutes after the second half started, Andy Savage who starred all day, scored with a beautiful shot that bent away from Johnson and went in by the far post.

Ray Pocock then pulled one back for Sunshine with a well-taken free-kick, but Gus Eadie restored Frankston's lead with a penalty awarded for a foul on Eric Gillespie.

Five minutes from time a cross from Bob Nelson was helped into the net by Frankston's sub, Tracey.

ALTONA 0, RINGWOOD 2 (O'Callaghan 5, Plumb 85)

ALTONA: Van der Poel, Pedley, Lord, Gramsbergen, Murray, Ackers, M. Banagan, Curcio (sub Watters), Ignatides, Little, Davidson.

RINGWOOD: Kreskas, Adams, Verniers, Luyten, De Bruyckere, Schott, Williamson, Plumb, Scott, Jones, O'Callaghan.

This was Altona's second home loss for the season, and it was plain that Alby Brown, who returned home the Wednesday before the game, will be sorely missed.

The first goal came through a misunderstanding in defence when a free-kick taken by O'Callaghan eluded Van der Poel.

Ringwood's second goal came five minutes from the end and was headed home by Richard Plumb.

This was the last game in Ringwood colours for both Andy Scott and David Jones,

**FRANKSTON 0;
RINGWOOD CITY 1
(Williamson 25).**

FRANKSTON: Petersen, Gillespie, Campbell, Irvine, Adams, Taylor, Savage, (inj. sub. Bray), Webster (sub. Daniels), Westerveld, Buchanan, Spears.

RINGWOOD: Wroe, Adams, Verniers, de Bruyckere, Luyten, Schott, Williamson, (inj. sub. O'Halloran), Plumb (sub. Brown), Eggers, Horner.

Frankston fielded its new signings, John Taylor from Alexander and Jeff Daniels from Makedonia.

Ringwood City was without the services of **Andy Scott** and **David Jones** who returned home last Friday.

The game was even for 20 minutes and then Andy Savage went down in a tackle



Andy Savage (top) of Frankston and Phil Williamson (above) of Ringwood — both broke a leg on Sunday.

MAKEDONIA 1 (Flaherty 52) FRANKSTON 1 (Spears 40).

MAKEDONIA: Laumets, Traikovski, Petrovski, McMorran, Brewerton, Campbell, McGifford (sub. Petrov 80), Fox, McClymont, Beech, Flaherty.

FRANKSTON: Petersen, Gillespie, Irvine (sub. Bray), Adams, Campbell, Taylor, Webster, Buchanan, Westerveld, Daniels (sub. Dall 80), Spears.

Frankston scored first, five minutes before half-time, but suffered a set-back when Sandy Irvine had to go off just after half time.

Flaherty equalised at the 52 minute mark and neither side gained the ascendancy after that.

Over the last two weeks we now beginning to show results.

One player who impressed me on the Lions side was **Grant Smart**, brother of **Jim Smart**, whose coolness in defence had a steadying effect on the whole side.

On this form, Lions will trouble a lot of sides in the second half of the season.

FRANKSTON: 3 (Gillespie 30, Buchanan 50, Webster 80) POLONIA 2 (Morris 60, Irvine o.g. 70)

FRANKSTON: Petersen, Gillespie, Irvine, Adams, Campbell, Taylor, Webster, Buchanan, Westerveld, Daniels (sub Dall), Spears.

POLONIA: Sierokowski, Dimitriou, (sub Hofniak), Menichelli, Koter, Jaworski, A. Czapnik, P. Czapnik, Morris, Wisniewski, Herman, Nierobisz.

Frankston, after looking comfortably placed at half-time with a goal scored by **Eric Gillespie**, were forced to struggle in the second term and eventually staggered in by virtue of a penalty goal ten minutes from time.

Bill Buchanan had increased Frankston's lead five minutes into the second half, when he lashed home a fierce drive from ten yards, but a defensive error saw **Morrie**'s long range shot sneak in to reduce the leeway for Polonia.

Then **Sandy Irvine** had the misfortune to put through his own goal and Frankston sensed a bollover.

However, with ten minutes to go, **Eric Gillespie** was fouled in the box and **Keith Webster** converted the penalty to the relief of the home supporters.

Polonia's Soccer was a revelation to the Frankston crowd and belied its lowly position.

Mark Dall, who substituted for **Jeff Daniels**, had a day to remember, for prior to going on for the seniors, he had scored a hat-trick for the Reserves.

Langwarrin, whose ground was unfit, used the Frankston ground for its Provisional League against Hamlyn Rangers, and in return, donated the proceeds of a raffle to the **Andy Savage** fund, which has now reached \$1,000.

Frankston spokesman **Les Smith** tells me that plans are already afoot for a benefit match for **Andy** too.

GREEN GULLY 1 (Vassallo 44) JUVENTUS 1 (Armstrong 60)

GREEN GULLY: Denys, Cole, Thompson J., (sub Miller), Berens, Donaldson, Vassallo, McGill, Thomson L. Patten, Tribuzzio, Segl.

JUVENTUS: Graham, Della Rocca, Sabbadini, Walker, Pfisterer, Bannon, Watkins, Lucchesi, Armstrong, Smith, Watkins.

Despite having the balance of play in the first half, Juventus conceded a soft goal a minute before half-time when with the Juve defence standing appealing for offside, **Willy Vassallo** went on to plant the ball past **Hugh Graham**.

It was the first goal Juve had conceded in five weeks. **Jim Armstrong** had missed a sitter in the first half, but he made amends when he beat three men and shot past **Lou Denys** for the equaliser.

Lou Denys was brilliant in the Gully goal, easily the best man on the ground, but once when **Steve Walker** headed past him from a corner, a Gully defender cleared off the line.

The game was marred when referee **Slaats** sent off both **Jim McGill** and **Claude Lucchesi** for fighting at the 80 minute mark.

After the game both sides expressed strong dissatisfaction with the refereeing. Although Juventus could feel satisfied to come away from the Gully with a point, its attack nevertheless was not up to its usual brilliant standard, and **Mick Watkins** for one was below his normal standard.

Friendly lost

MEDELLIN, COLOMBIA, — Medellin Independiente defeated East Germany's national team 3-2 in a friendly match here.

East Germany has yet to win a match during its current tour of South America. It lost 0-2 to Argentina on July 12 and drew 0-0 with Ecuador's Emelec Club in Guayaquil on July 14.

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Ken Reed got the second, **Peter Ebini** scored again in the 32nd minute and **Paul Murphy** and **Ken Reed** made it 5-0 at half-time.

The game produced four more goals after the interval, as **Billy Wilkinson** scored straight away, and then **Ken Reed** completed his hat trick six minutes later.

Billy Wilkinson got the eighth with a free-kick from 40 yards out, which completely deceived goalkeeper and defenders alike.

Never say die **John O'Callaghan** got a consolation goal for Ringwood four minutes from time.

HAKOAH 0; FRANKSTON C. 2 (Spears 20, Webster 88).

HAKOAH: O'Hara 6, Rainey 8, Nagy 6, Black 6, Baker 6, Blair 6, Roberts 7, Gadsby 6, Edmondson 6, McNeill 5, (sub Ferguson 75), De Placido 6.

FRANKSTON C.: Peterson 5, Gillespie 6, Irvine 7, Adams 6, Campbell 6, Taylor 7, Webster 6, Buchanan 6, Daniels 6, Gorrie 5 (sub Dall 75), Spears 7.

Frankston's win on Sunday was virtually worth four points in the club's bid for a Final four place, for it had the effect of cancelling out Hakoah's game in hand advantage.

From the outset, it was obvious that the gale force wind would make good football dif-

icult, and both goalkeepers found it causing them problems.

Bill Spears struck the decisive blow for Frankston when he hit a swerving shot against the wind that left **Mike O'Hara** flat-footed.

That was in the 20th minute, and just prior to it, Hakoah had the ball in the net following a corner, but referee **Henderson** disallowed the goal for pushing.

The goal apart, the ball was rarely out of the Frankston half in the first term and Frankston goalie **Frank Petersen** must have heaved a sigh of relief when half-time came.

Bruce Roberts banged a ball across the Frankston box that the wind carried just past **McNeil's** outstretched foot, but the nearest Hakoah came to scoring was when **Sandy Irvine**, attempting to clear, hooked a ball over Petersen's head and just over the bar.

Hakoah, against the wind, did most of the attacking after the interval, when strangely enough, the Frankston defenders seemed loath to use the long ball out of defence.

A good cross by **Mike Rainey** was fumbled by **Petersen** and **Edmondson** muffed a good chance to level the scores.

The game was petering quietly out to a 1-0 win, but with two minutes to go Frankston was awarded a penalty.

During a Frankston attack, **Billy Spears** fell in the Hakoah box and in running back after clearing, **Mike O'Hara** seemed to tread on him.

Referee **Henderson** called O'Hara to one side, showed him the yellow card and awarded Frankston a penalty which **Keith Webster** converted.

On this form, Frankston look good for a Final Four place, but Hakoah still lacks punch up front.

JUVENTUS 1 (Armstrong 38); ALTONA 1 (Taylor 58).

JUVENTUS: GRAHAM 6, Della Rocca 6, Sabbadini 6, Walker 6, Pfisterer 6, Bannon 6, Watkins 6, Lucchesi 6, Armstrong 6, Smith 6, Hotson 6 (sub Di Marchi 69).

ALTONA C: Van der Poel 6, Lord 7, Gramsbergen 7, Murray 6, Ackers 6, Taylor 6, M. Banagan 6, Little 7, Watters 6, (sub Ignatidis 70), Curcio 6 (sub Pedley 80).

Altona's never-say-die defence earned the club its tenth draw on Sunday, and it was a well deserved point too.

Juventus took the lead late in the first half with a soft goal after having frittered away



De Pacido of Hakoah clears in front of Frankston's goalscorer Bill Spears. Picture by SAM BELFONTE.



Frankston goalkeeper Frank Petersen, prepares to kick in against Hakoah.

THIS WEEK

George Cross makes a start tonight on its big backlog of postponed fixtures when it opposes Frankston City.

This game will be preceded at 6.45 pm by the match between Green Gully and Hakoah.

What effect the layoff will have on Georgie's form is anyone's guess and apart from lacking match practice recently, it will have to manage without Norm Maitland and possibly Robert Cullen too.

Frankston City will be trying hard too, for this match represents its chance to consolidate a place in the four.

The Green Gully v Hakoah game is a real puzzler.

Green Gully showed a surprising lack of fighting spirit on Saturday, but Hakoah has lost its last three games and tumbled right out of the four in doing so.

On Saturday, Juventus opposes Praharn Slavia in a match vital to its final four chances.

After three successive draws, Juventus needs to win to restore its belief in its ability.

The game is virtually a four-pointer.

On Sunday, Altona meets Frankston in a match that is very important from a final four point of view.

If George Cross' game on Wednesday hasn't taken too much out of the players, victory at Polonia should only be a formality for it.

**ALTONA 1 (Taylor 51).
FRANKSTON 2 (Webster pen. 40.
85).**

ALTONA: Van der Poel, Ackers, Lord, Gramsbergen, Murray, Banagan (sub Ignatides), Watters, Davidson, Taylor, Little, Curcio.

FRANKSTON: Petersen, Gillespie, Campbell, Irvine, Adams, Taylor J, Webster, Buchanan, Daniels, Gorrie (sub Dall), Spears.

Frankston shocked Altona by taking both points late in the game when Altona were ready to concede a draw. It was Frankston's first win at Altona in twelve years.

Frankston took the lead in the 40th minute when Keith Webster converted a penalty.

David Gorrie had the ball in the net after fifteen minutes, but the score was disallowed for offside.

Six minutes into the second half Altona got back on terms when Frank Petersen failed to cut out a corner and Bob Taylor got his head to the ball.

From then on it was nip and tuck until, with five minutes left, Keith Webster picked up a ball in the midfield and cut in to unleash a powerful drive from 30 yards that beat Van der Poel.

GREEN GULLY 1 (Patton 41), FRANKSTON 1 (Webster 14).

GREEN GULLY. Denys 6, P. Banagan 6, Cole 6, Donaldson 7, Berens 6, McGill 6, Segl 6, Waterman 5, (sub Sartore 4 80), Patton 7, Tribuzzio 6, Hamill 6.

FRANKSTON. Petersen 6, Gillespie 6, Campbell 6, Adams 6, Irvine 7, Webster 8, Taylor 5 (sub Bray H.T. 6), Buchanan 6, Daniels 6, Gorrie 4 (sub Dall 85, 5), Spears 6.

Green Gully gained a very hard-fought point on Saturday through sheer grit and refusal to be beaten.

There has been trouble at the Gully for a few weeks now, culminating in the thrashing from Altona and then the 3-2 defeat at Ringwood last week after the Gully had taken a 2-0 lead.

This led the management to take drastic action and two of this season's purchases, **Ian Miller** and **Les Thompson** were 'dismissed' last week.

The two disciplined players say that they were informed by telephone and the reasons given were that they didn't attend training and were not trying their hardest.

Both players deny this strenuously and it does seem strange that one of them, **Les Thompson** gained two votes as the best Gully player in the previous match.

The game itself went through two distinct phases, the first being the opening half hour when Frankston got clearly on top, and then the second, when Green Gully stormed back into the game and put so much effort into attack that the Frankston defenders greeted the final whistle thankfully.

Frankston had kicked off down the slope and with the stiff breeze at their backs, it was no surprise when they went into the lead with a clever goal from **Keith Webster**.

A Frankston attack had broken down and **Low Denys** came off his goal-line, in anticipation of a back-pass.

But the defender fiddled and then lost the ball to **Webster** who, seeing **Denys** in no-mans land, chipped the ball into the far corner.

Frankston had a narrow escape shortly after the goal, when **Petersen** had to make a double-barrelled save from **Hamill** and then **Segl**, but the Green Gully front runners were persistently falling into the offside trap.

Frankston should have gone further ahead when **Webster** chested down a ball in the six yard box, but the ball was whipped off his toe in the act of shooting.

Green Gully rallied and actually got the ball past **Petersen**, but **Bobby Adams** popped up and cleared off the goal-line.

Another narrow escape for Gully followed when big **Berens** hooked **McGill's** short corner against an upright.

But the home crowd's fears were quickly allayed as Gully equalised a minute later.

It was a simple goal too, brought about mainly through Frankston's reliance on the offside trap.

Gerry Tribuzzio won a ball on the right and squared it to **John Patton** who had sprinted through the trap, and he only had to push the ball past **Petersen**.

In the second, Gully, playing down the slope, gave Frankston a torrid time of it and the Frankston defence played heroically in keeping the Gully attack at bay.

Even so, **Gerry Tribuzzio** should have clinched the game when he ran clear with only **Petersen** to beat, but his shot on the run was brilliantly punched over the bar by the goalie.

Both **Tribuzzio** and **Hamill** missed narrowly with shots in the closing minutes also.

ESSENDON LIONS 1 (Andrews 30), JUVENTUS 0.

LIONS. Kennedy, Smart, Gunn, Kokoska, Bilaver, Andrews, McMillan (sub Train), Kerr, Culina, Krajina, Murphy K.

JUVENTUS. Graham, Della Rocca, Sabbadini, (sub Santangelo), Walker, Pfisterer, Bannan, Watkins, Smith, Armstrong (sub Sabadussi, H.T.), Luccchessi, Hotson.

Lions dealt a body blow to Juventus' faint hopes of overhauling **George Cross** in this high quality game at Montgomery Park.



Campbell of Frankston gets a piggie back ride as George Cross' top scorer Ken Reed shields the ball.

**GEORGE CROSS 4 (Murphy, pen.,
35. Reed 52. 65. 85)**

FRANKSTON CITY 1 (Spears 17)

**GEORGE CROSS: Kastner 6, McConville
6, Cutajar 6, Webb 6, Kelly 6, Wilkinson
8, Cullen 7, Murphy 6, Reed 9, Barron 6,
Ebini 6**

**FRANKSTON: Petersen 6, Gillespie 5, Ir-
vine 5, Adams 6, Campbell 5, Taylor 5,
Webster 7, Buchanan (sub inj. 6, Bray
61, 5), Daniels 5, Gorrie 5, Spears 6.**

**George Cross, looking every bit
like league champions, flattened
Frankston City with a powerful
second-half display at Olympic
Park on Wednesday night.**

3) Frankston had shocked Georgie with a well-taken goal in the seventeenth minute, and then foolishly conceded a penalty to let the Cross back into the game before half-time.

In the second half it was one-way traffic as Ken Reed scored his third hat-trick to put himself in an almost unassailable position at the top of the goal-scorers' list.

George Cross opened up full of running, despite its recent lack of match practice, but Frankston's raids looked dangerous, and when Bill Buchanan's ball was cleverly headed on by Keith Webster, Billy Spears had a free header but planted the ball well wide of Lou Kastner.

Frankston looked capable of getting at least a point then, but Georgie gradually stepped up the pressure and at the 30-minute mark the Frankston defence went through a horrific period when the ball went across the box from left to right and back again, and it seemed impossible for the goal to remain intact, but it did, and it took a penalty to bring Frankston undone.

Robert Cullen caught Eric Gillespie dreaming and sprinted past him and as he cut into the box, the big back brought him down.

Paul Murphy made no mistake with the spot-kick, and Frankston sagged visibly.

Worse was to follow, however, in the early minutes of the second half.

Reed was lying a yard offside when he got a through ball and he banged it powerfully past Petersen, and that was the end of Frankston.

After Reed had shot narrowly past the post, he put Georgie further ahead after 65 minutes when his first shot was parried by Petersen and he drove the rebound home.

Petersen saved well from Cullen and Cullen hit the side netting before Reed got his hat-trick with five minutes left.

Reed is a powerful, bustling striker, and he got wonderful service from his midfield, in particular from Billy Wilkinson.

Frankston, by comparison, had nothing up front and its problems were aggravated when Bill Buchanan was accidentally knocked out and retired hurt after an hour.

Georgie fans were in rare good humour, naturally, and although the phantom bugler wasn't there, a gent with a hooter was.

So were half a dozen policemen, who seemed intent on provoking a confrontation of some sort, and repeatedly harassed a couple of spectators in front of me (including the man with the hooter).

I hope the Frankston players didn't take it personally when the Georgie choir chanted 'What a load of rubbish'.

I can assure them it wasn't directed at the field of play.

FRANKSTON 0 SLAVIA 1 (Bennie 71)

FRANKSTON: Petersen 6, Gillespie 6, Campbell 6, Irvine 7, Adams 6, Webster 6, Taylor 5 (sub Bray 80), Buchanan 5, Daniels 5, Gorrie 5 (sub Dall 70, 4), Spears 5.

SLAVIA: Clarke 6, Thomson 8, Owens 6, Symington 7, Miller 6, Train 6, Monaghan 6, Baber 6, Bennie 7, Pye 6, Williams 6.

A well taken goal by Steve Bennie in the second half of a drab game was enough to send Frankston reeling out of the four and hold Slavia into a certain second berth.

The game also saw the return of the most outspoken Slavia 'rebel' to the playing ranks, in the person of Les Owens. This means there are only four of the original eight left.

However, their ranks might be swelled again soon when Slavia's three new Liverpool area recruits, Cliff Woofe, Bill McGhee and Phil Cahill arrive by Air India this week.

The first half, played in most miserable conditions, saw Slavia dominate with the aid of a near gale.

As the players came out for the second half, the weather relented, the wind dropped and the sun came out, but Frankston didn't improve and apart from a good shot from Spears which Peter Clarke saved well, and a couple of goalmouth scrambles, the home side never looked like scoring.

Frankston's midfield was well below par, and as a consequence its front runner hardly put any pressure on the Slavia back four and Frank Thomson for one had a field day with his attacking sallies up the left flank.

It was as a result of one of these and an accurate cross that Steve Bennie was able to head home the vital goal with 19 minutes left.

What drive Frankston had come from Sandy Irvine, coming from deep in the back four.

ESSENDON LIONS 3 (Culina 28, McMillan 57, Murphy 75)
FRANKSTON CITY 0.

LIONS: Petrovski 6, Smart 6, Kulyk 6, Kokeska 6, Bilaver 6, Andrews 6, Kerr 7, Culina 7, Davidson 9, McMillan 7, Murphy K. 7.

FRANKSTON CITY: Peterson 5, Gillespie 6, Adams 4, Irvine 6, Campbell 5 (sub Daniels 78), Webster 6, Gorrie 5, Bray 5, Buchanan 5 (sub Taylor 85, 5), Eadie 5, Spears 5.

The unpredictable Lions were in a rampant mood on Sunday and just about ate a very poor Frankston side alive.

After the team's poor showing against Altona the previous week, coach DUNCAN McKAY made three changes, bringing in JIM PETROVSKI for JOHN KENNEDY, WALLY KULYK for HUGH GUNN, and newcomer BRIAN DAVIDSON made his debut as a front runner. And what a debut it proved to be!

Davidson was easily the best player on the ground. In fact he looked a class above everyone else with his blinding speed and superb ball control.

He gave the Frankston defence an early taste of his ability when he beat three men cut into the box, and all in a matter of three strides.

The Frankston defence, normally its strong point, was looking uncharacteristically jittery and it came as no surprise when BOB ADAMS completely missed his kick and let in BRANKO CULINA who eluded FRANK PATERSEN and scored with ease.

Playing with the breeze behind them Frankston kept out Lions until the interval. But in the second half it was all one-way traffic.

Fast through balls found the Frankston back four struggling and the Lions front runners seemed to be able to burst into the Frankston box at will.

Only rank bad finishing and some very close offside decisions prevented Lions from running up a cricket score as BILAVAR, McMillan, Culina and KEN MURPHY lined up scoring opportunities and then blazed high or wide.

Eventually GEORGE McMILLAN found the net with a good solo effort. Then BRIAN DAVIDSON turned the defence inside out for the umpteenth time and laid one on a plate for KEN MURPHY.

The worth of Lion's win is difficult to evaluate, so poorly did Frankston perform.

I don't envy the selectors task this week in picking the team to play George Cross, for if the reserve strength was there at least six players would be facing the axe.



Altona's Keith Murray — sent off.

SUNSHINE CITY 2 (Cumming 8, Gilmour 83), FRANKSTON CITY 3 (Spears 30, Tulloch 70, Daniels 80).

SUNSHINE C. Scholten, Mussell, Howe, Nelson, Dixey, Coyle, Hewson, McRobert (sub Gilmour), Cumming, Pocock, Piotrowski.

FRANKSTON CITY Burgess, Bray, Gillespie, Adams, Irvine, Webster, Buchanan, Tulloch, Daniels, Eadie, Spears (sub Gorrie).

Frankston City put paid to Sunshine's final four hopes on Sunday with a greatly improved display.

It was hard to believe that Frankston had lost its previous four games on this form, and Sunshine's hopes were high when Tommy Cumming scored after only eight minutes.

Bill Spears levelled the scores after 30 minutes and the half ended all square.

Newcomer Alex Tulloch from Cambuslang put Frankston ahead with a good goal and Jeff Daniels made it 3-1 ten minutes later.

Stewart Gilmour who had come on as substitute scored after only seven minutes on the field.

Frankston won the game in midfield, where Webster and Tulloch played well, and young Nick Burgess in his first senior game this season also performed well in goal.

It was a disappointing end to the season for Sunshine especially after its very good win over George Cross.

HAKOAH 2 (Nagy 16, Craig 70), POLONIA 2 (Horfiniak 29, P. Czapnik 75).

Hakoah, O'Hara, Rainey, Valli, Gadsby, Baker, McNeil, Nagy, Groenwald, Craig, Blair, Marshall.

Polonia, Sierokowski, Menichelli, Jaworski, Koler, A. Czapnik, P. Czapnik, Nierobisz, Horfiniak (sub Altieri), Lipiarski, Herman (sub Aristodemou), Esposito.

Before the game, Hakoah made a presentation to its long-serving masseur, Arthur Coats, who is returning to England.

The game was a typical end of season affair, without any bite but plenty of good soccer played.

Les Nagy, playing as a front runner these days put Hakoah ahead after good work by Garry Groenwald and George Craig and Hakoah missed several more chances before Polonia equalised with a freak goal.

Ron Horfiniak's shot was partially blocked by Steve Gadsby and spun out of Mike O'Hara's reach.

In the second half, Peter Czapnik scored for Polonia and George Craig for Hakoah.

ESSENDON LIONS 1 (Davidson 60), GREEN GULLY 1 (Segi 55).

LIONS Kennedy, Bilaver, Smart, Kokoska, Kulyk, Andrews, Kerr, Cullina, Davidson, McMillan (sub Krncevic), Murphy.

GREEN GULLY Demys, P. Banagan, Debrincat, Donaldson, Patton, Gambin, Vassallo, Spiteri, Waterman, Segi, Tribuzio (sub Sartroe), Hamill.

With Jim McGill suspended and returning to Scotland, Franz Berens suspended and Joe Thompson injured, coach Ian Petherick had his share of selection problems and considering that he had to introduce three players for their first senior game, the result was a satisfactory one from Green Gully's point of view.

The first half was even, but ten minutes into the second half, a neat passing move-

FRANKSTON 4 (Webster 5, 48, 78, Eadie 40), GREEN GULLY 2 (Waterman 58, Sartroe 63).

FRANKSTON Burgess, Bray, Gillespie, Irvine, Taylor, Webster, Buchanan, Tulloch, Daniels, Eadie (sub Dall), Spears (sub Gorrie).

GREEN GULLY: Demys (sub Agius), P. Banagan, Patton, Donaldson, Muscat, Spiteri, Vassallo, Waterman, Segi (Vella), Tribuzio, Sartroe.

Green Gully suffered a bad blow after only five minutes, when Keith Webster's corner slipped through Lou Denys' fingers into the net.

At the forty minute mark, Jeff Daniels made a great run down the right and crossed to the far post for Gus Eadie to head home well.

Three minutes into the second half, Webster repeated the feat from a corner and this time Green Gully substituted Lou Denys for Agius in goal.

Frankston went to sleep for a while then and the goalkeeping errors continued and this time it was Frankston's turn to suffer as first Jim Waterman and then Angela Sartroe scored to put Gully back in the game.

Keith Webster set the seal on a good game when he blasted home a deadly accurate chip from Dave Gorrie in the 78th minute.

FRANKSTON - NEXT YEAR'S THREAT

Victorian State League round-up by LES SHORROCK.

FRANKSTON 2 (Gorrie 13, Walker 0.g 15) JUVENTUS 0.

FRANKSTON Petersen 6, Tracey 6, Irvine 7 (sub in) Dall 80), Taylor 7, Gillespie 6, Buchanan 7, Webster 5 (sub H.T. in) Spears 5), Tulloch 6, Daniels 5, Eadie 6, Gorrie 8.

JUVENTUS: Graham 6, Della Rocca 6, Sabadini 5 sub H.T. Lucchesi 4, Walker 6, Pfisterer 5, Bannan 8, Watkins 6, Sabadussi 5, Armstrong 5, Smith 5, Holton 4.

Frankston, in a very heartening display, shattered Juve's hopes of finishing second in the table and, incidentally, picking up an extra \$1,500 on Sunday.

Indeed, a stranger to the competition, watching Juventus' lifeless, inept display, could have been forgiven for thinking that it was Frankston who was in the four and not Juve.

Before the game,

Frankston seemed in a sorry plight, with both Bob Adams and Norrie Campbell on the injured list.

Both these stalwarts have been integral parts of Frankston's rugged defence, and coach Joe McLean leaped before the game that Juventus' speedy wingers would wreak havoc and be capable of exploiting any weaknesses in the game.

So he instructed stand-in back John Tracey and Eric Gillespie to keep a tight rein on John Holton and Mick Watkins respectively, and for Billy Buchanan to pick up Juve's schemer, Charlie Smith.

The plan succeeded admirably, for on the narrow confines of the Seaford Reserve, the tricky wingers never got away from the defenders, and consequently

Juve's attack had no width. It had no midfield either, especially after Jed Bannan took over the left back position when Claude Lucchesi came on at half-time to replace Serge Sabbadini.

As we have said before, Bannan playing at left back leaves only one grafter in the midfield, Charlie Smith, and he was too busy trying to cope with Bill Buchanan who had an excellent game, to be constructive.

But the revelation of the day was Dave Gorrie's game against his old club.

Fittingly, he started the rot with a goal after 13 minutes, which he slotted away nonchalantly after clever work by Alex Tulloch who beat two men and put Gus Eadie away.

The roof really fell in on Juventus when, two minutes later, Steve Walker, under pressure, put through his own goal trying to head away a penetrating cross from Bill Buchanan.

Juventus struggled away for the rest of the first half without making any impression whatsoever, and an exasperated Bob McLachlan, after roasting his players at half-time, brought on Claud Lucchesi.

To add insult to injury, Frankston had to take off the industrious Keith Webster at half-time too, but so much were Frankston on top that he wasn't missed.

So Frankston, after a series of bad results in August losing three times and conceding ten goals without reply in the process, came good with wins over Sunshine, Green Gully and Juventus.

Frankston played a big part in shaping the final four too, for its win over Altona put that side in jeopardy and then its win over Sunshine put the City out of contention before this win assured Slavia of second place.

Altogether, with a final finish position, Frankston can look back with pride on its initial year in the State league, and next year it should be a threat.

beats Kodak in th hour dash

By RON DARLINGTON

A very strong wind blowing directly down the ground made conditions difficult for both teams. Taxation threw everything into attack in the first half, but it was Diacraft who led at the interval through a Midan Mullie goal.

In the second half Diacraft used the wind to advantage and added 3 more to ensure that they finished the season with a superior goal average to Lysaght, who have the same number of points.

A. R. Split completed their first season in the League with a 5-1 victory over A.N.Z. Bank 'B' in Division 4 North. A.N.Z. Bank 'B' bolstered by several 'A' team players held A. R. Split to a single goal lead at half time, but A. R. Split then moved into top gear and ran out easy winners.

Will all club secretaries ensure that their players are aware of this change of training venue, particularly those who have attended the previous sessions at McColts ground.

Training will commence at Olympic Park on Wednesday, 28th Sept., 1977 at 7 p.m. sharp. So be there early.

The League is prepared to organise a coach or coaches to travel to Bendigo to support our team provided there are sufficient people to fill them.

The cost of the trip to Bendigo will be \$6 which on the basis of a full coach just covers the hire, hence the necessity to ensure a full load.

Anyone desirous of travelling to



Watch them next year

After travelling among the leaders for most the season Frankston City just missed out on a place in the Victorian State League top four, although it beat third-placed Juventus in the last game.

So Frankston won't be competing in this year's State League Cup series which starts at Olympic Park on Sunday.

But watch out for the seaisiders in 1978 . . .

They're pictured above, back row from left — Tom Boyd (masseur), Sandy Irvine, Bill Spears, John Bray, Norrie Campbell, Bob Adams, Eric Gillespie, Nick Burgess, Joe McLean (coach); front — Dave Gorrie, Jeff Daniels, Bill Buchanan, Frank Petersen, Keith Webster, John Taylor.



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CITY'S GAMBLE PAID OFF

FRANKSTON City Soccer Club took two massive gambles at the weekend and both came off.

Desperate after four losses in a row, the club committee took a big gamble by rushing Scottish soccer star, Alex Tulloch, out from Scotland on Friday, with only three games of the year to play.

Although playing only 36 hours after arriving, Tulloch made a brilliant debut and capped off a first class display with a good goal.

The second gamble was the dropping of four senior players from last week's team, including goalkeeper Frank Peterson.

The gamble paid off by virtue of City's 2-2 win over Sunshine City at Sunshine and incredible as it may seem, City have a chance of making the four if they win their last two games against Green Gully and Juventus and the other scores in the league suit them.

It must have cost the club a lot of money to get Tulloch out here, but if he can lift the side to two more wins, it will be well worth it as City have, with Tulloch's help, almost their losing run and no club wants to end the season with a losing sequence.

He was quick to settle into the side and showed nice touches, his heading down of the ball to other players is an object lesson for any player.

Tulloch and Eadie also combined to score a great goal.

Goalkeeper Frank Peterson, who has been out of touch in recent games, was the first to be axed from the previous week's side and was not even given a run with the reserves.

The others to be dropped, Taylor, Gorrie and Campbell, were on the bench, but only Gorrie got a run.

Goalkeeper Nick Burgess looked suspect on several occasions, but the game will have given him that much needed confidence boost.

Sandy Irvine returned to the team and marshalled his troops at the rear. Daniels was the other to return to the team and was quite lively, although he appears to lack finishing power in front of goal.



● ALEX TULLOCH, a picture of concentration.



● AN anxious second for the Frankston City defence as Sunshine attack.

Premiers

The senior Dolphin team defeated Northcote to win the final of the Second Division Lightning Premiership and earn themselves first prize of \$600 which will be used by the players towards their end of season trip away. The Dolphins now progress to play teams in the First Division and next Sunday they will meet their neighbors Dandenong at 12 noon at the Junction Oval (St. Kilda).

Last week's game against Northcote was a very evenly contested affair but it was the effective use of

handball by the Dolphins that gave them the advantage. In addition, GEDDES & GUY gave them terrific drive from the centre and EDWARDS led the defence capably to repel many Northcote attacking moves. At half time only one point separated the sides but the Dolphins could sense victory and when the final siren sounded they led by one goal to take out the major prize. BEST: Geddes, Guy, Mace and Edwards. GOALS: Worthington (3) Jones, Guy and Cooper (1) each.

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