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Time for the second Newsletter. The first was received very well. We would like to thank you for your plaudits. The plaudits weren't particularly for my scribble but for the welcome news. We had an "about time" response from most readers. We will keep it coming for you. A couple of "thank yous" while I'm at it. Jack Klox prints it, Helen types it. Jack is a Teacher at Aspendale Tech., Helen is Les Smith's Secretary. There were a few errors we know but Helen had to do things in such a rush that it's forgivable. It was first time up for the Newsletter and we will improve as we go on, I can assure you. Another development to the Newsletter is a cover and advertising. If you want to advertise in the copy see Mike Bevis or Neville Cowan.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Members and their friends all the best for Christmas and the New Year.

A fair bit has happened since the last Newsletter. Perhaps we will deal with those things first.

The 11th Committee Member has been co-opted on. He is Mike Hartney. He is an Australian, which will please some of our Members. Mike has had much experience with Hotels in the past and he was quickly grabbed by the Bar Committee. Also a successful businessman, he will be working with Neville Cowan on Sponsorship and Advertising. A handsome fellow, for an Australian, with a keen interest in Cricket, or he did have until recently. Mike is married with a couple of kids.

A senior Coach has been appointed for Season 1980. He is Nigel Bevis. Successful Coach of the Reserves for the past two years. Nigel played for Frankston for many years and Captained the team during the successful seasons. Personally I am pleased that a local Coach has the job and has a chance to prove that he can better the performance of the high priced failures we have had, and has been the pattern for many years. However, he has a depleted squad at this moment that he is putting through a hectic training schedule.

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Nigel is determined to reduce the age of the first team and has invited some good youngsters, local boys to, to train with us. There is nothing more refreshing than to see a team full of fine youngsters have the field. We must be realistic, however, and accept that experience must be the backbone of a side in State League. I would like to take this opportunity to wish my twin brother the best of luck for he would never forgive me if I didn't. I would also like to congratulate the Playing Committee on having the courage to appoint a local fellow and get off the State League Coaches Merry go Round.

#### Players News:

Bruce Young has signed a two year contract. Good news about the promising young winger. The local female fraternity will be pleased about that too, I bet.

Ged Bannon; our powerhouse midfielder has signed for two years. Ged who had such a superb Season last year, will be so important to the Coaches team building with his courage and reliable workrate, I'm sure.

Vince Bannon has been transferred to Hellas. Vince, Captain last year, will be missed. But we would like to wish him the best of luck for the future.

Noel Mitten and Danny McLuskey seem to be pricing themselves out of the team. Keith Lear from Bournemouth in England is the pipeline recommended by John Bond of Norwich to Del Lines. Will know more about that later. Also a couple of other stars are in the offering.

Of the local youngsters three are from The Pines. Brian Paulding, a State Junior Centre Half, Kevin Wall, a Forward with potential and Colin Mitchell who should have been playing for Frankston for the past five years, are training with the first team squad. Best of luck boys, nice to see you here.

~~A change of colours is imminent. First team Coach has suggested we play in white with the blue and gold club colours in stripe form on our strids. That has been well received by Committee, but not by Meg, Les Smith's Mother In Law, who does the laundering. Wonder why?~~

We had a visit from Derek Bunyan, our Local Councillor, to our last full Committee Meeting and we found we have a Councillor batting for us.

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Although Derek was having a look at us on Council's behalf of course, somebody complained about the drive to the Club - It's been fixed already!

The Players are back from Noumea. A fine time was had by all, by all accounts. An "End of Season" trip well organised by John Taylor in conjunction with World Travel. The boys tell me it was a Paradise. Most of them are still talking about it, much to the disgust of their respective females. The Players even won a cup! They beat the Noumean National Eleven in the Final by 8 Goals to 1. Well done the "Mean Machine", just keep on going over here.

Les Shorrock has a radio programme on Ethnic radio on Monday afternoons from 3 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. It covers soccer all over the world and the Local Scene of course. A must for the Soccer follower.

Peter Waters son, who was badly burned in an accident recently, paid us a visit and looks like he's on the road to recovery.

I have been procured by my eleven year son, Mark, to spend my Saturday mornings at Frankston Football Oval at Little Athletics. Julianne Bevis, I can thank for giving me a numb posteria sitting in the stand watching my son occasionally perform. I can't help marvelling at the superb organisation of Little Athletics people. There are hundreds of children of all ages there performing, but the events are run off very smoothly indeed. Something else was very apparent while I was there was there are a lot of Frankston Soccer People who take their children there. Ex Players include Kurt Schroeder, George Eadie, Billy Lewis, David High, Allan Parrott, Robbie Cranch all have their kids running. Roy and Sheila Reader, Junior Soccer people, Helen, Les Smith's good looking Secretary, the Etterns from the Pines are some of the others I have met there. The strange thing is that most of the kids are winners.

Nylex had a Christmas Break-up a Saturday night ago, run by Ron Cummins Senior. The people had a good night on Ron's High and Low tickets which Ron runs at Nylex. It was interesting to see people who mainly came from Mentone are coming and going by taxi. A sure way to beat the Police who seem to be determine to get a bumper haul on the Breathalyzer over Christmas. Take heed Members.

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Bird Of The Month: A lot of lovely young ladies grace our Clubrooms from time to time so we thought we would run a "Bird of the Month" segment. Without getting too personal, of course, we thought we would give them a tick. Miss December we spied coming up with Alan Pepperal. Her name is Nese (Pronounced "Nesha"), a 19 year old with the dark smouldering looks from the Mediteranean Area. Nese parents come from Turkey. Unable to live to the so restricted upbringing of the Turkish way of life, Nese has gone Australian. She loves the beach and the simple pleasures of reading and music. One of the advantages of having a nice Club, the girls can come up without any fear of degrading themselves. Keep on coming Nese, nice to have you around.

Lotto tickets are available behind the Bar. 4 out of 6 Tattsлото numbers wins the jackpot of \$25.00 per week for only 20¢ - It snowballs. It hasn't been won for 3 weeks so it is \$75.00 for the next lucky winner.

Harry Sailsbury, the Arabic looking Scotsman, who is in cahoots with Angus something to do with electrics, is a champion! At Judo of all things. Harry is a nice gentle fellow with a lot to say but for God's sake don't pick on him. Harry won the Victorian Judo Championship at his weight recently. Well done Harry.

The Children's Christmas Party was a success. Well run by the Girls and Arthur, but I think Father Christmas and the Parents enjoyed it more by the looks on some of the faces.

In conclusion, Bob Brown, Chairman of this Soccer Club, would like to convey his sincere best wishes to all members and friends for a Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

M. BEVIS.