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## Demetriou an Andy moniker

THE name **Andy Demetriou** opens a few doors around town.

Just ask the AFL chief executive's namesake, who is the sports psychologist at Werribee Football Club in the VFL.

This Andy Demetriou (right), who also owns the Albert Park Deli, says he has seen no need to change his name.

"My name has always been Andy or Andreas," he said.

"It does allow me to make a lot of bookings at restaurants that I probably would not get. I get some really good tables, until I turn up, then they are really disappointed."

He said the AFL chief was a good friend.

"We grew up together,"

he said. "Both families knew each other from Cyprus."

"We played volleyball together when we were much younger — spent a lot of time with him and his brothers in Essendon and I still see him."

This Andy Demetriou also played league football.

He played one game for South Melbourne in 1977

but never got off the bench against Collingwood at Victoria Park.

"I did get spat at by a supporter," he said.

He moved to Port Melbourne and played in two premierships under **Gary Brice** in 1981-82.

And Demetriou must have suffered a bit of white line fever — he was reported 16 times.

