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## **DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

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## **RIDDELL DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

### **GRAND FINAL AT LANCEFIELD**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

● 12.15 p.m. SECONDS

**GISBORNE v. KILMORE**

(BLACK SHORTS)

(WHITE SHORTS)

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CONSOLATION AT 12.30 P.M.

**ROMSEY v. LANCEFIELD**

(BLACK SHORTS)

(WHITE SHORTS)

**MAIN MATCH AT 2.30 P.M.**

**GISBORNE v. WOODEND**

(BLACK SHORTS)

(WHITE SHORTS)

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## TOPICAL TOPSPOT

THE real winner of today's grand final clash is going to be the Riddell District Football League.

Today's game culminates the best season of Australian Rules football in this district since its infancy, 100 years ago.

Congratulations to both the Melton and Kilmore clubs on making it through to play, and the stage is now set for a memorable game of football.

Melton seniors have a clean slate, in the RDFL, having won 19 games on end and Kilmore have bounced back after a second semi defeat to once again tackle the "Bloods".

The season started amid controversy over the application by Melton and Melton South to join the RDFL.

After much discussion and many meetings, the matter was resolved and clubs got down to the business of playing football.

The League had a new president, Cr. Doug. McIntyre of Monegeetta, a new vice-president, Cr. Jim Robson of Wallan, and a new secretary in Mr. John Karman of Sunbury.

After 30 years of service to the Riddell League and Association as a president, vice-president and secretary, Mr. Eric Boardman was defeated in the election for the presidency.

No man had served football in this district longer than Eric Boardman, and the fact that football has

never been in better shape as right now is a tribute to his untiring efforts in this field.

The RDFL Independent Tribunal has met on over 20 occasions this season and the men deserve congratulating on the work carried out.

President Doug. McIntyre has been kept extremely busy all year with the appointment of independent goal and boundary umpires, and our panel must be the envy of many leagues.

The RDFL was surprisingly defeated by Panton Hills in the inter-league match, as were the seconds and thirds.

Our record had been very impressive in the past and it would now appear that a squad will have to train together if we are to win next year.

During the season, a weekly highlight was the amazing performances of Wallan's Greg Wood.

He finished the season with 173 goals and established a VCFL record.

Riddell's Alan Retallick became the first player ever to win two consecutive Bowen medals.

His strong marking each week was a delight to watch.

Another star during the year was Melton's Terry Munday.

He won the "Regional" award for the best footballer in the league according to the votes of the goal and boundary umpires.

Terry will be seen in action today — His strong marking is a treat.

A very pleasing aspect of the final series to date is the tremendous increase in gate takings — an increase of some 25 per cent on last year.

Today's finalists — Melton and Kilmore, seconds finalists Kilmore and Gisborne, the "Review" wishes all the best of luck.

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# KILMORE PLAYERS

**NOEL PERRY** (capt.-coach). Full forward who makes up for lack of size with fast leads and a good leap. Age 26, height 5'10", weight 11.7.

**DAVID BROMAN;** (vice-capt.). Solid marking and long kicking half back, who has been used at times as ruck rover. Can be brilliant on his day. Age 24, height 5'10", weight 12.7.

**JOHN GREEN;** As a back man, hates to see an opponent get a kick. Strong dashes and well placed kicks frequently start the team into attack. Can be an inspiration to players around him, with his determined style. Age 25, height 5'9" weight, 12.0.

**WAYNE HENDERSON.** Former Coach. A dedicated player who was having a great season as a half forward until injured. Weeks on sidelines hasn't affected his keenness or form. A heady forward who kicks accurately for goal. Age 26, weight 5'10", weight 12.9.

**ALAN BENSTED.** Back pocket who lets nothing go by. Plays close and frequently outmarks taller opponents with great judgement. Age 22, height 5'11", weight 12.0.

**WAYNE BLACKWELL.** Full-back or Centre Half Back. His sound marking coupled with his ability to play close makes him a valuable asset, whilst his great kicking places the ball well out of danger. Age 28, height 6'0", weight 13.10.

**NOEL PEARCE.** Perhaps the tightest defender of them all, a flanker who has done a great job filling in at Centre Half Back. Wonderful judgement of the ball makes him look uncanny at times. Age 24, height 5'11", weight 12.0.

**ROBERT REID.** Tenacious and tough centreman who never takes his eye off the ball. A consistently prolific kick getter, who rarely lowers his colours. Age 26, height 5'9", weight 12.8.

**ALAN DAVIES.** Not much of this little fellow, but he has established himself as a great winger this season, being selected as an RDFL rep. Passes the ball in the way forwards dream of. Age 27, height 5'8", weight 10.7.

**JACK CUNNINGHAM.** Former Kilmore Coach and member of Hawthorn's 1961 Premiership team. The years haven't dimmed the brilliance of this fellow, who can be quite a menace to opposing backmen. Always knows where the goals are. Plays mostly half forward flank but can still be a dangerous rover. Age 32, height 5'8", weight 11.4.

**TERRY McCORMACK.** Solid never give-up type of follower, who rarely turns in a poor one. Strong type who can go all day, and his left foot kick can be dangerous near goal. Age 23, height 5'11", weight 13.10.

**GREG LIDDELL.** Brilliant little rover in his first year with Kilmore. Wins plenty of kicks around the packs, and is a headache to the opposition when up forward. Clever use of the ball near goals makes him a great asset. Age 20, height 5'7", weight 11.0.

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**DOUG EVERETT.** Another newcomer who quickly made a name for himself. RDFL rep. in his first year with Blues, unfortunately serious injury placed him on sidelines half way through season, when at his brilliant top as fullback. Age 21, height 6'0", weight 13.0.

**TERRY MILLS** at 27, has played many years with Kilmore, and returns this year after a season with Whyalla SA. Switched from Ruck to Centre Half Forward when Ross Clark cleared Melbourne, his big marks and solid ground play earn respect from any backman. Height 6' 1", weight 12.10.

**ROBERT NESBITT.** Winger or Rover, cleared from Broadford during this season. Has fitted well into the side, and is an asset with good marking, and strong kicking to back his pace. Age 19, height 5'11", weight 12.0

**PETER SAGAIKAK.** This big follower joined Kilmore mid season, and soon forced his way into senior side. Palms the ball well, takes a good mark, and can be relied on for straight kicking when within range of goal. Age 22, height 6'2", weight 14.0

**MICK BUTLER.** Utility player, mainly forward, who returned from a season with Broadford in the Waranga N.E. League. A dangerous forward as spectators from the 1971 Final Series will well remember. Age 27, weight 12.7.

**NORM THOMPSON.** Fearless young ruckman returns after a season with Moulamein. Has done a good job to force his way into a top side. Strong play and big kicking make him a valuable player. Age 20, height 6'0", weight 13.0.

**BERNIE HEDE.** Former top Fullback in RDFL, who has been plagued with injury. Forced to withdraw from this years RDFL side due to injury, he has regained fitness, and is again a force, whether at fullback or as a ruckman forward. Age 24, height 6' 0", weight 14.0.

**GREG CLARK.** Best described as a strong utility player, Greg must be considered most unlucky to not have found a permanent niche in the side. Strong pair of hands and fearless approach make him one the most improved players on the list. Age 24, height 6'0", weight 12.7.

**PETER HUDGSON.** Quick thinking rover or half forward whose cool play frequently brings team mates into the game. Age 26, height 5'8", weight 12.5.

**PETER McCORMACK.** Seems to be able to ruck all day, and often has done so. Strong player who is a goer all the time. Age 26, height 6'1", weight 13.12.

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**IAN DUNCANSON.** Strong and courageous winger or rover who is always busy. Still at school, this fellow is still improving, and gives of his all. Age 18, height 5'7", weight 10.6.

**TERRY MAHER.** Winger or Rover whose great pace usually leaves opponents behind. Never gives up trying, and kicks well to position. Age 21, 5'9", 10.7.

**IAN BENSTED.** Former forward turned defender, who can be used almost anywhere. Age 22, height 5'11", weight 12.7.

**PETER FLYNN.** Rover, Winger or Half Forward whose pace, strong dashes, sound marking and penetrating kicks make him most valuable. Age 25, height, 5'9". weight 12.0.

## MELTON PLAYERS

\* **RON BROWN, C.C.** — 26, 5'9". 12.00 Strong centreman who plays typical inspiring captain coach's game. Played over 80 games with Sunshine last season was Assist Coach of Nerrandra.

\* **JOHN DIBBEN** — (Supa Dibs), 20, 5'7", 10.00. Came from Footscray Tech. Old Boys this season, started in the Reserves, fought his way into the seniors on a half forward flank and has firmly established himself.

\* **ROD KERR** — 25, 5'11", 13.7. Capt. of the reserves, has proved himself as a handy ruckman or backman with the seniors, a local boy who has been with the club since 1965. Last season led the reserves to a flag.

**CON STOLS** — 38, 5'11", 13.00. Reserves full-back who age means nothing to. Coach of our Under-14 side who are in the finals with an excellent chance of winning the flag.

\* **BRIAN COCHRANE** — 22, 5'6", 10.7. Local boy who is 1970 along with John MacIntosh were the only two players to make St. Kilda's senior list. Returned to Melton and has starred week after week on the wing.

\* **JOHN PORTER** — 19, 5'10", 10.00. Reserves, winger who has come up from the Under-16's, made the senior's this season and should be a valuable player for Melton for many years.

**NEV MANSON (NIFTY)** — 27, 5'7½", 11.00. Consistent back pocket player with the reserves. Who hasn't let anything through all season.

\* **TONY VITALE** — Champion rover who unfortunately has been plagued by injury this season. Twice winner of the reserves Best and Fairest award in our old league. Started with the seniors this season, before injury and will be an asset in the finals if he can come back.

\* **BOB HEANEY (JUMBO)** — 25, 5'10", 12.7. Rugged half back flanker, who keeps the team on their toes on and off the field. Came from Yarraville Y.C.W. in 1971 and has held his place since.

\* **JIM LANGAN (MOUTH)** — 27, 5'5½", 10.4. Rover, who goes in and gets the ball them, puts it down forward with long drop kicks. Originally from West Newport in the Western Suburbs League of which he won the League Best and Fairest.

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**GAVIN LINTON** — 18, 5'7", 9.2. Another product of our Under-16's, who plays on the half-forward flank with the reserves.

\* **KEN McKENZIE (MACCO)** — 29, 6'0", 14.2. Experienced full back, who delights in taking full forwards apart. Originally from Yarraville and then capt. coach with Laverton, along with Little Bruv Neil forms a formidable barrier to the opposing forwards.

\* **TERRY O'BRIEN, V.C.** — 27, 5' 11", 12.00. Assistant coach to Ron. Half back flanker who plays the way a backman should. An example to any young player. Has had an unfortunate year with injury, having had two spells in hospital this year.

\* **MICK WILLIAMS (SUPA SLUG)** — 23, 6' 1", 12.10. Senior ruckman who has been with Melton all his career. Strong mark and very mobile for his size, comes through hard from the backline to break up many an attack.

\* **SHANE LINTON (BRETT)** — 20, 5' 7", 11.00. Elusive half forward flanker and winger who can't be given an inch latitude or he will cut a side to ribbons.

**GARRY FORBES** — 26, 5' 8", 12.00. Strong reserves half back flanker who on many occasions has held the half back line together with his experience.

\* **IAN PANNELL (WACK)** — 20, 6' 4", 15.00. Ruckman from Footscray who on his day is possibly the best ruckman in the League, has hit his straps at the right end of the season, which spells big trouble for the opposition.

**RON PORTER** — 16, 5' 4", 9.00. Under 16 player establishing himself in the reserves. Don't let his size deceive, because his heart is as big as his body.

**TONY CLARKE (SLIM)** — 23, 5' 9½", 14.00. Handy forward just starting to find form after a spell in National Service. Look out for him in the finals.

\* **TERRY MUNDAY** — 29, 6' 3", 15.00. What can you say about this player this his record doesn't, one of the best marks you could wish to see and a reliable kick with it. Doesn't matter where he plays he is a winner. Played with Williamstown and St. Albans before coming to Melton, just watch him in the finals.

\* **ROD BROWN (RAGS)** — 21, 5' 9", 9.7. Wingman in his first season with Melton, mightn't be the most stylish player in the team, but if every player went after the ball with the same endeavour, we'd have a great side.

**DON CAMERON** — 27, 5' 4", 11.3. Making a comeback after a lengthy spell. Happy to play anywhere that assists the side.

\* **MICK BULLEN (BUTCH)** — 18, 5' 11½", 13.00. Rugged utility player from Sunshine. Butch is at his best when the going is tough, clearing the way for his smaller team mates. Good teamman who has the art of shepherding down to perfection.

\* **TONY WILLIAMS** — 19, 5' 11', Last season was Tony's first in Senior football and he hasn't missed a game yet. Can play in a number of positions with success, and is always willing to carry out a coach's orders.

\* **BILL MORGAN** — 20, 5'10½", 12.9. Came from Sunshine this season and has established a place for himself as a ruck rover. Good team player who uses the ball to advantage.

\* **NICK POLONCZAK (POLLY)** — 28, 6'2½", 14.6. Star centre half forward, who surprisingly had only played two seasons of senior football before coming to Melton, from St. Albans. Great mark and probably one of the best kicks you will see in any class of football.

**ROSS KOOCHEW** — 32, 5'9", 11.4. Reserves centre half forward, who delights in bringing team mates into the game with intelligent handball. Came from Robinvale in 1970.

**MICK McCARTHY** — 18, 5'11", 11.00. Young player up from the Under-16's, firmly entrenched as full forward with the reserves.

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\* **FRANZ VAN LEEUWEN** — 26, 5'10", 13.7. Rugged ruck rover in his second season with Melton after being captain of St. Albans. Represented Footscray District League on a number of occasions and is a definite asset to the Melton side.

\* **JOHN CONDON (J.C.)** — 23, 6'0", 13.00. Ruckman forward with the reserves and seniors, good mark and kick, who can swing a game with his marking.

\* **GRAHAM COOPER (COOP)** — 27, 5'10", 12.4. Wingman with many games under his belt has had an interrupted career with National Service, but is starting to find form now.

\* **IAN KERR (PIRATE)** — 20, 5'9½", 10.10. Centreman or winger, who doesn't know how to give in, played all his career with Melton, both with the senior and reserves.

**ROO DERKSEN** — 17, 5' 8", 10.7. Young player up from our under 16's who has established himself in the reserves and has also sat on the bench with the Firsts.

**GARRY LEVINGS** — 16, 5' 7", 9.2. Another ex-under 16's player playing in the reserves this year. Garry should develop into a very handy player for the future.

\* **NEIL McKENZIE (LITTLE BRUV)** — 27, 5' 6", 10.7. A better back pocket player you couldn't wish for, came from Laverton with his brother Ken, in 1971, and has been amongst our best players since.

\* **PETER HIGGINBOTHAM (BOT-TOMS)** — 18, 6. 0", 13.00. Ex-under 16's captain who is now an established half back flanker with the Seniors. Class player with many years of football ahead of him.

**TONY KENNEDY** — 17, 5' 9", 9.00. Tonys family have been associated with Melton for many years, both Granddad and Dad being life members of the Club. Tony has come up through the Juniors and has many brothers following him.

\* **RAY WAGENER (WAGS)** — 31, 5' 9½", 10.7. Ray has been a stalwart of the Club since 1969, he coached both the under 14's and under 16's for a number of seasons, doing a fine job, as the number of players up from the Juniors shows. He is a very handy utility player, having starred with both the Seniors and Reserves this season.

**ROD KNIGHT (STROP)** — 20, 5' 10", 11.10. Reserves half back flanker in his first season with Melton, should be a handy back stop to the Seniors in the future.

**KEVIN LEONARD** — 20, 5' 8", 10.7. New player this season from Coburg. Handy rover who is pressuring the Senior rovers for their place in the team.

**ROB NELSON (NELLIE)** — 25, 6'2", 14.00. Robert has been with the Club for many years, starring in many positions for the Seniors. Due to heavy business commitments cannot spare the time for football that he would like to, but is still a very handy player.

\* **KEN BAILEY (BALES)** — 22, 6' 0", 16.00. Big strong ruckman who is very mobile for his size. Ken's heart is as big as his body and this shows in his great team play.

\* **TIM SPEAR** — 25, 5' 8½", 10.2. Tim is not new to this League and has been an asset to the Club with his knowledge of opposition sides and grounds. Clever rover who is a beautiful stab pass.

**SIMON MILLER** — 17, 5' 10½", 10.9. Another of our young brigade up from the under 16's. This year Simon has established himself as a rover in the Reserves and has already made the Seniors as a reserve on one occasion.

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# CONSOLATION XVIII

## LANCEFIELD v. ROMSEY

### ROMSEY THIRD EIGHTEEN

1 — M. Lilley	7 — R. McIntyre	14 — R. Shaw	26 — L. McCarten	33 — D. Brooks
2 — G. Walters	8 — B. Smith	15 — R. Lewis	27 — R. Higglett	41 — J. Davis
3 — P. Clement	9 — M. Johnston	16 — S. Davis	28 — J. McIntyre	45 — P. Shaw
4 — J. Davis	10 — B. French	17 — C. Laing	30 — M. Dealy	71 — G. Clement
5 — M. Phillips	11 — W. Quarrell	18 — B. Clement	31 — B. Muir	
6 — A. Clement	12 — G. Laing	22 — C. Brady	32 — T. Mix	

## SCORING FORM

### LANCEFIELD

### ROMSEY

Quarters	Goals	Behinds	Points	Goals	Behinds	Points
First						
Second						
Third						
Fourth						
Totals						

### UMPIRES:

Field — John Twist

Goal — C. White, J. Stoward

Boundary — M. Coxall, J. Hanson

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# 3rd XVIII — THE TEAMS

## WOODEND FOOTBALL CLUB

3 — T. Bowen  
4 — G. Bowen  
5 — B. Marcroft  
6 — R. Marcroft

7 — I. Beever  
8 — D. Weston  
9 — G. Butterworth  
11 — L. Miller

13 — D. McKinna  
14 — B. Wakefield  
15 — G. Meekan  
17 — C. Barker

18 — R. Keating  
19 — P. Fraser  
20 — L. Blanch  
26 — P. Howden  
40 — C. Godden

## GISBORNE FOOTBALL CLUB

1 — A. Robinson  
2 — B. Rosier  
3 — T. Deverall  
4 — M. Shaughnassy  
5 — P. McKay  
6 — P. Hallet  
7 — B. Hay, V.C.  
8 — R. Phillips

9 — C. Morten  
10 — M. Crotty  
11 — M. Grant  
12 — C. Haynes  
13 — A. Dean  
14 — J. Resnik  
15 — G. Seddon  
16 — M. Deverall

17 — P. Langley  
18 — M. Tranter  
19 — L. Dean, capt.  
20 — C. Heard  
21 — D. Morrow  
22 — B. Monaghan  
23 — J. Walden  
24 — G. Bailey

25 — B. Shaughnassy  
26 — G. Langley  
27 — T. Kays  
28 — J. Kays  
29 — P. Reid  
30 — R. Clarke  
31 — T. Ward  
32 — W. Thompson  
41 — A. Dalrympe

## SCORING FORM

### MELTON

### KILMORE

Quarters	Goals	Behinds	Points	Goals	Behinds	Points
First						
Second						
Third						
Fourth						
Totals						

### UMPIRES:

Field — Neil Warran

Goal — K. Cook, D. McIntyre

Boundary — D. Graham, J. Showler



# 2nd XVIII — THE TEAMS

## KILMORE FOOTBALL CLUB

DARK BLUE WITH WHITE MONOGRAM

- |                   |                  |                   |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. N. Perry (CC)  | 20. B. Markham   | 42. W. Meggs      |
| 2. G. Liddell     | 21. K. Maher     | 43. J. Harrington |
| 3. P. Sagaidak    | 22. J. Nowacki   | 44. D. Hall       |
| 4. R. Eades       | 24. B. J. Rice   | 46. N. Thompson   |
| 5. D. Everett     | 25. P. Duncanson | 48. R. Clancy     |
| 6. W. Blackwell   | 26. I. Bensted   |                   |
| 7. W. Henderson   | 27. M. Hanson    | <b>SECONDS</b>    |
| 8. A. Davies      | 28. F. Wright    | 1. D. Lingard     |
| 9. A. Bensted     | 29. G. Clark     | 2. P. Thomas      |
| 10. I. Duncanson  | 30. F. Baines    | 3. G. Rowe        |
| 11. D. Broman     | 31. T. McCormack | 4. R. Poulter     |
| 12. J. Cunningham | 32. P. McCormack | 5. R. Golec       |
| 13. R. Herd       | 33. F. Budd      | 6. G. Noonan      |
| 14. B. Hede       | 34. P. Flynn     | 7. D. Quinn       |
| 15. J. Green      | 35. A. Szabo     | 11. G. Clancy     |
| 16. M. Butler     | 37. B. Moore     | 13. J. Stevenson  |
| 17. T. Mills      | 38. N. Pearce    | 15. N. Stimson    |
| 18. R. Reid       | 39. T. Maher     | 17. W. Johnson    |
| 19. P. Hudgson    | 40. J. Budd      |                   |

### UMPIRES:

Field — Len James

Goal — B. Thomas, A. Stores

Boundary — S. Grant, A. MacDonald

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| 3. R. Rymer           | 19. W. Campbell         | 36. B. Carr        |
| 4. G. O'Sullivan      | 20. H. Kataala          | 37. W. Pegg        |
| 5. G. James, V.C.     | 21. C. Saunders         | 38. G. Ramsay      |
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| 9. G. Kays, C.C.      | 25. T. Ryan             | 42. L. Brown       |
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| 11. R. Wilson         | 27. J. Booth            | 44. G. Murphy      |
| 11. K. Moran (2nds)   | 28. P. Moran            | 45. M. Mundy       |
| 12. G. Carmichael     | 29. G. Sleeman          | 46. T. Crotty      |
| 13. J. Clancy         | 30. N. Jewell           | 47. J. Reed        |
| 14. D. Belcher        | 31. P. Hobbs            | 48. F. Sewell      |
| 15. I. Belcher        | 32. R. Reid             | 50. T. Kays        |
| 16. J. Fitzgerald     | 33. J. Carmichael       |                    |

## **SCORING FORM**

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# KILMORE

Dark Blue and White

## BACKS

N. Thompson	B. Hede	A. Benstead
20, 6'0", 13.0	24, 6'0", 14.0	22, 5'11", 12.0

## HALF-BACKS

D. Broman, V.C.	N. Pearce	J. Green
25, 5'10", 12.7	24, 5'11", 12.0	25, 5'9", 12.0

## CENTRES

A. Davies	R. Reid	R. Nesbitt
27, 5'8", 10.7	26, 5'9", 12.8	19, 5'11", 12.0

## HALF-FORWARDS

J. Cunningham	T. Mills	W. Henderson
32, 5'8", 11.4	27, 6'1", 12.10	26, 5'10", 12.9

## FORWARDS

P. Sagaidak	N. Perry	P. Flynn
22, 6'2", 14.0	26, 5'10", 11.7	25, 5'9", 12.0

## FOLLOWERS

P. McCormack	T. McCormack
26, 6'1", 13.12	23, 5'11", 13.10

## ROVER

G. Liddell
20, 5'7", 11.0

# WHEN THEY LAST MET

FIRSTS: Melton 10-14 d. Kilmore 7-12

SECONDS: Gisborne 11-10 d. Kilmore 6-4

THIRDS: Gisborne 6-5 d. Woodend 5-4

CONSOLATION: Romsey 5-11 d. Lancefield 4-6



# MELTON

Maroon and White

## BACKS

N. McKenzie 27, 5'6", 10.7    K. McKenzie 29, 6'0", 14.2    M. Williams 23, 5'11", 14.2

## HALF-BACKS

P. Higginbotham 18, 6'0", 13.0    T. Mundy 29, 6'3", 15.0    T. O'Brien, V.C. 27, 5'11", 12.0

## CENTRES

B. Cocherane 22, 5'6", 10.7    R. Brown, C.C. 26, 5'9", 12.0    G. Cooper 27, 5'10", 12.4

## HALF-FORWARDS

W. Morgan 20, 5'10½", 12.9    N. Polonczak 28, 6'2½", 14.6    J. Dibben 20, 5'7", 10.0

## FORWARDS

T. Spear 25, 5'8½", 10.2    A. Williams 19, 5'11", 11.0    M. Bullen 18, 5'11½", 13.0

## FOLLOWERS

I. Pinnell 20, 6'4", 15.0    F. Van Leeuwen 26, 5'10", 13.7

## ROVER

J. Langan 27, 5'5½", 10.4

## UMPIRES:

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Boundary — P. Moore, P. Spelling

## SCORING FORM

### MELTON

### KILMORE

Quarters	Goals	Behinds	Points	Goals	Behinds	Points
First						
Second						
Third						
Fourth						
Totals						



## GISBORNE SECONDS

Red, White and Blue

	<b>BACKS</b>	
P. Hobbs	G. Cudmore	W. Pegg
	<b>HALF-BACKS</b>	
P. Twist	H. Katala	Ron Keane
	<b>CENTRES</b>	
R. Reed	K. Carmichael	G. Murphy
	<b>HALF-FORWARDS</b>	
E. Nolan	D. McCormick	L. Brown
	<b>FORWARDS</b>	
P. Moran	G. Kays	F. Sewell
	<b>FOLLOWERS</b>	
	Ray Keane, B. Whelan	
	<b>ROVER</b>	
	S. Brown	
	<b>RESERVES</b>	
	J. Clancy, T. Ryan, G. Carmichael, R. Cassidy	

## KILMORE SECONDS

Blue and White

	<b>BACKS</b>	
I. Benstead	M. Hanson	S. Baines
	<b>HALF-BACKS</b>	
G. Clancy	R. Eades	J. Rice
	<b>CENTRES</b>	
B. Markham	D. Lingard, C.C.	T. Maher
	<b>HALF-FORWARDS</b>	
M. Butler	W. Blackwell	P. Hudgson
	<b>FORWARDS</b>	
R. Golec	P. Duncanson	D. Quinn
	<b>FOLLOWERS</b>	
	B. Moore, R. Herd	
	<b>ROVER</b>	
	J. Nowacki	
	<b>RESERVES</b>	
	N. Stimson, W. Johnson	



# BLOOD LETTERS

The Reserves were glorious in defeat last week against Kilmore and despite the loss through injury of "CON" STOLS and ROBERT NELSON from the previous week came within 8 points of victory after being down 6 goals at three quarter time.

It was a typical gutsy display of the mighty Fighting Bloods spirit.

The fact that 10 of the team were under 19 and were generally outweighed should dispel the idea held in some quarters that Melton 'wilt under pressure'.

Incidentally CON STOLS still made it a double in premierships. After coaching the 14's to their Grand Final victory in the BMFL, he led home the local MAC'S DARTS CLUB to an undefeated premiership in the WESTERN SUBURBS DARTS COMPETITION. Con says that one thing about Darts finals is you don't get "king hit." Con missed the presentation spending the night in hospital after suffering a depressed cheekbone fracture against GISBORNE.

Our Mighty Midgets have been accorded a great honor by the Shire Council. Next Thursday evening council will hold a special meeting presided over by Shire President Cr. JOHN SHUGG, one of our keenest supporters. A plaque will be presented to the team and after observing Council procedure briefly the boys, their parents, trainers and coach (Con's in the act again) will be entertained and refreshed by the Councilors.

Due to his elevation to the Shire Presidency and the subsequent additional responsibility Cr. Shugg found it necessary to relinquish his position as Chairman of the Board of Management of the Melton Recreation Reserve. Our own JIM McKAY takes over in this capacity and we should see considerable activity in the off season, to develop the ground, not only as a top sport and recreation complex, but a playing area and surroundings worthy of a final next year.

By the way JIM'S recent trip overseas wasn't to VENICE as some thought. Probably had something to do with him buying the Hobart Bridge — THE BRIDGE OF 'SIZE' (SIGHS)? Congratulations to Mick

Williams playing his 100th game with the club today.

We have never seen the big men in keener condition. Despite the long season, "BIG NICK" and "TOWERING TERRY" have been running like two year old colts since our semi-final win and their performance today should be really something out of the box.

Ours is not a two man team however as was proved in our semi-finals clash. With the big men anchored in the mud we still led all day and today will be no exception.

This is the culmination of all our efforts which started back in October last year.

To survive the disintegration of our league, the subsequent battle for acceptance in another and the drain of players to a second town team, would be accomplishment enough for some clubs.

But this was only the start and through the wonderful club and team spirit the letter fostered by a great coach and a great team of players we have reached our destination — **undefeated.**

Today we represent not only the Melton Football Club but Melton and that includes our brother club Melton South many of whose members were with us when we were "also rans."

But the so called finals hoodoo is dead and BROWNIES BOYS will show today just what it means to be a MIGHTY FIGHTING BLOOD.

What all started 11 months ago can end no other way than our premiership and KING OF THE RIDDELL LEAGUE. (Victory celebration at the Melton Pavilion from 7 p.m. onwards).

— ★ —

## KILMORE KOMMENT

The Firsts stuck to their task in the Grand Finals and still under dogs.

Great, just great fellas, two teams against Wallan in a manner which shows their tenacity when behind to lift their play to overcome a persistent Wallan side.

Best players won't be given this week because it was team effort



but a few highlights must be quoted, Bromans handling of Woods, Hedes saving marks, "Burglars" individual dash and goal, "Skippy's" great second half, Noels eight goals, having gone down the middle fellas can't mention the flanks must leave room for the Melton scribe.

The Seconds gaining an early break held on to a fast finishing Melton side to gain an 8 point victory. Eades being the springboard of attack kept driving us into attack and at the same time kept Melton out. The price the Seconds on making the Grand Final before the Final series certainly wasn't short. Well done fellas.

Having to play two teams which to this stage have yet to lose this season, must give us the challenge which should have every player stirred up to give his all.

Knowing Melton's record that's one record we'll be glad to help them maintain.

"Stags" never played in a Final series so seconds, because like most of us we are getting to old to front up again when the climax is within reach. Best of luck today Stag and Noel the whole town's right behind you.

## CARN THE BLUES!

### FIRSTS

KILMORE .....	3.1	10.5	13.11	21.15—141
WALLAN .....	5.5	10.7	16. 8	18. 9—117

**Best (Kilmore):** B. Hede, N. Perry, T. Mills, A. Davies, N. Pearce, R. Reid; **Goals:** N. Perry 8, J. Cunningham 5, W. Henderson 3, G. Liddell 2, D. Flynn 1, T. Mills 1, R. Reid 1.

**Best (Wallan):** M. Shircore, G. Woods, S. Hunt, I. Benjamin, D. Cleaver, D. Barber; **Goals:** G. Wood 7, S. Hunt 3, R. Best 2, M. Shircore 2, A. Pannuzza 2, P. Hand 1, A. McKay 1.

### SECONDS

KILMORE .....	6.3	9.3	10.10	10.11—71
MELTON .....	1.0	4.2	5. 2	10. 3—63

**Best (Kilmore):** R. Eades, R. Herd, B. Rice, M. Butler; **Goals:** M. Butler 4, W. Blackwell 3, P. Duncanson 1, C. Quinn 1, R. Golec 1.

**Best (Melton):** R. Kennedy, S. Miller, G. Forbes, I. Kerr, K. Bailey; **Goals:** S. Miller 4, K. Leonard 2, R. Koochew 2, R. Wagner, M. McCarthy 1.

### THIRDS

WOODEND .....	3.1	4.2	11.9	11.10—76
SUNBURY .....	2.1	4.6	4.6	8.12—60

**Best (Sunbury):** G. Harker, G. Lewis, G. Furness, T. Hopkins, D. McMahon, D. Griffin; **Goals:** R. Coleman 2, J. Galante 2, D. Griffin 2, D. McMahon 1, A. Davis 1.

**Best (Woodend):** C. Barker, L. Blanch, D. Dick, P. Bowden, B. Marcroft, G. Meehan; **Goals:** C. Barker 3, T. Bowen 3, S. Beever 1, B. Marcroft 2, G. Meehan 1, P. Fraser 1.

### CONSOLATION

LANCEFIELD .....	2.0	6.2	6.2	11.10—76
CRAIGIEBURN .....	4.4	6.5	10.8	10. 8—68

**Best (Lancefield):** G. Notman, B. Meyer, W. Parks, J. Showler, C. Smith; **Goals:** R. Pattinson 5, G. Notman 3, W. Parks 1, G. Nicholls 1, I. Boldiston 1.

**Best (Craigieburn):** P. Boyd, P. McKessy, P. Freeman, C. Millet, I. Watt, C. Sanderson; **Goals:** P. Boyd 6, T. Egan 2, L. Fredericks 1, I. Watt 1.



**TROPHY WINNERS — 1973****F I R S T S**

**Bowen Medal:** Fairest and Best — A. Retallick (Riddell).

**Best and Fairest Award:** A. Retallick (Riddell).

**"Regional" Award:** Best Footballer in the R.D.F.L. — T. Munday (Mel.)

Second Best and Fairest: G. Wood (Wallan).

**Best Junior** (19 and under): J. Fitzgerald (Gisborne).

**Leading Goalkicker:** G. Wood (Wallan) 165 goals.

**W. V. Shannon Shield:** Minor Premiers — Melton Premiership Cup  
(donated by W. Deverall and R. Geyer).

**Best player in Inter-league game:** A. Retallick (Riddell).

**S E C O N D S**

**Best and Fairest:** R. McCrae (Melton South).

**Second Best and Fairest:** P. Law (Woodend).

**Leading goalkicker:** P. Shepherd (Sunbury) 85 goals.

**Best player in Inter-league match:** J. Willoughby (Sunbury).

**T H I R D S**

**Best and Fairest:** J. Galante (Sunbury).

**Leading goalkicker:** P. Trevillian (Melton) 81 goals.

**Best player in Inter-league match:** J. Galante (Sunbury).

Trophies will be presented to the winner at the half time interval of the grand final at Lancefield.

Trophy winners are required to be in club colors for the presentation.

## COACHES COMMENTS

**RON BROWN** (Melton captain-coach).

We will win because we MUST win.

We have been bridesmaids too often, now it is own turn for the penant.

All our players are keved up for a win and with "Polly" and Terry in great form it should be a big win.

We are not cocky but we have more experience this year than in previous years and we intend to play the game hard and fast and have a winning score on the board.

**NOEL PERRY** (Kilmore captain-coach).

We will win because of our overall fitness and our superior ball handling ability.

I am hoping for a dry ground, because the form of Henderson, Cunningham, Hede and Reid we will run out winners.

Our experience in finals will be a deciding factor. we have more than 10 players who have played over 50 games, and during a final series, this experience is all important.

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THIS competition is open to under-16 footballers, the competition being conducted at half-time during the preliminary final each year.

Previous winners are listed below:

1961 Idway Davies (Hesket)	49 yds.
1966 Gary Harris (Riddell)	54 yds.
1967 Gary Harris (Riddell)	59 yds.
1968 Jim Borle (Lancefield)	55 yds.
1969 Jim Borle (Lancefield)	57 yds.
1970 Gary Notman (Lancefield)	52 yds.
1971 George Turner (Romsey)	51 yds.
1972 Gary Notman (Lancefield)	59 yds.
1973 Gary Notman (Lancefield)	62 yds.

### **L. N. MARKS, Thirds Best and Fairest trophy**

THE late Mr Len Marks of Macedon, a member of the well known Riddell family and prominent supporter of football in the district.

Len was a brother of Jim Marks, a prominent Riddell footballer and official and secretary of the Riddell District Football Association from 1934 to 1937.

The award is given on votes of the field umpire.

Listed below are previous winners.

1966 W. Richardson (Riddell)	27 pts.
1967 D. Powell (Woodend)	30 pts.
1968 D. Powell (Woodend)	27 pts.
1969 K. Breen (Wallan)	21 pts.
1970 C. Miller (Woodend)	25 pts.
1971 G. Pattinson (Lancefield)	30 pts.
1972 M. Breen (Wallan)	28 pts.
1973 J. Galante (Sunbury)	36 pts.

### **RDFL SECONDS BEST AND FAIREST**

1962 D. Stockfield (Lancefield)	28 pts.
1963 J. Haslett (Lancefield)	33 pts.
1964 B. Alford (Romsey)	17 pts.
1965 D. Higgins (Gisborne)	14 pts.
1966 J. Day (Riddell)	14 pts.
1967 W. Gabbe (Wallan)	22 pts.
1968 J. Moore (Kil.) R. Shanahan (Lan.)	equal 15 pts.

1969 A. Lang (Lancefield)	25 pts.
1970 S. Jacovou (Wallan)	21 pts.
1971 G. McInness (Macedon)	14 pts.
1972 J. Lowe (Macedon)	17 pts.
1973 R. McCrae (Melton Sth.)	24 pts.

### **THE MICHAEL CAHILL MEMORIAL PERPETUAL PREMIER PRESIDENT'S TROPHY.**

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Michael Cahill played with Melton from 1964 to 1972 with exception of 2 seasons in Ballarat League. Assistant Coach to Merv Hobbs at the time of his death in 1972. In 1969 and 1970 won the Marcus Whelan Medal for Best and Fairest in the Bacchus Marsh League.

### **BEST and FAIREST JUNIOR, 19 and Under**

1947	R. Russell (Lancefield)
1948	J. E. Showler (Lancefield)
1949	R. Russell (Lancefield)
1950	D. Shannon (Lancefield)
1951	R. Forbes (Sunbury)
1953	A. W. Gardiner (Gisborne)
1953	A. W. Gardiner (Gisborne)
1954	B. Palmer (Sunbury)
1955	B. Palmer (Sunbury)
1956	G. Barber (Kilmore)
1957	T. Sankey (Gisborne)
1958	T. Sankey (Gisborne)
1959	B. Shannon (Lancefield)
1960	I. Mustey (Lancefield)
1961	R. Holmes (Trentham)
1962	F. Notman (L), H. Grieg (W)
1963	W. Kelly (Sunbury)
1964	J. Morabito (Sunbury)
1965	D. Higgins (Gisborne)
1966	W. Richardson (Riddell)
1967	D. Powell (Woodend)
1968	I. Benjamin (Wallan)
1969	P. Scott (Macedon)
1970	W. Richardson (Riddell)
1971	R. Shannon (Lancefield)
1972	G. Wood (Wallan)
1973	J. Fitzgerald (Gisborne)

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Woodend, Romsey, Lancefield,  
Trentham.

**1965:**  
Gisborne, Sunbury, Romsey,  
Wallan.

**1966:**  
Lancefield, Woodend, Romsey,  
Sunbury.

**1967:**  
Gisborne, Woodend, Kilmore,  
Sunbury.

**1968:**  
Romsey, Gisborne, Lancefield,  
Wallan.

**1969:**  
Sunbury, Woodend, Riddell,  
Wallan.

**1970:**  
Riddell, Woodend, Wallan,  
Sunbury.

**1971:**  
Kilmore, Sunbury, Gisborne,  
Riddell.

**1972:**  
Gisborne, Riddell, Kilmore,  
Sunbury.

## SECONDS

**1953:**  
Lancefield, Kilmore.

**1954:**  
Romsey, Gisborne.

**1955:**  
Woodend, Sunbury.

**1956:**  
Woodend, Romsey.

**1957:**  
Woodend, Romsey.

**1958:**  
Sunbury, Woodend.

**1959:**  
Lancefield, Woodend.

**1960:**  
Woodend, Lancefield,

**1961:**  
Woodend, Kilmore.

**1962:**  
Lancefield, Woodend.

**1963:**  
Sunbury, Lancefield.

**1964:**  
Sunbury, Trentham.

**1965:**  
Sunbury, Gisborne.

**1966:**  
Open Age Seconds:  
Sunbury, Kilmore.

**1967:**  
Gisborne, Romsey.

**1968:**  
Woodend, Sunbury.

**1969:**  
Gisborne, Lancefield.

**1970:**  
Gisborne, Sunbury.

**1971:**  
Sunbury, Kilmore.

**1972:**  
Gisborne, Riddell.

## THIRDS (Started in 1965, Under-14)

**1965:**  
Sunbury, Riddell.

**1966 (Under-16):**  
Riddell, Sunbury.

**1967:**  
Sunbury, Woodend.

**1968:**  
Woodend, Sunbury.

**1969:**  
Sunbury, Gisborne.

**1970:**  
Sunbury, Wallan.

**1971:**  
Sunbury, Gisborne.

**1972:**  
Lancefield, Woodend.

## THIRDS CONSOLATION (Started in 1967)

**1967:**  
Gisborne, Heskett.

**1968:**  
Heskett, Gisborne.

**1969:**  
Lancefield, Woodend.

**1970:**  
Gisborne, Woodend.

**1971:**  
Romsey, Macedon.

**1972:**  
Kilmore, Wallan.

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## GISBORNE SECONDS PLAYERS

**GRAHAM KAYS.** (Capt.-coach). Age 30. Height 6'2". Weight 13.5. One of the best overhead marks in the R.D.F.L. Dedicated coach always gets results out of all his players.

**GREG CUDMORE.** Age 23, Height 6'1". Weight 11.1. A new recruit from Salesian College showing great potential and a great teamman.

**GAVIN MURPHY.** Age 23. Height 6'1". Weight 12.0. Returned from North Hobart this year to force his way into senior selection, a good prospect.

**GRAHAM CARMICHAEL.** Age 18. Height 5'7". Weight 10.5. A former Sunbury player who has given handy service to our club.

**JIM CLANCY.** Age 23. Height 5'10". Weight 12.6. A handy utility player who rarely wastes a kick.

**RON KEANE.** Age 21. Height 5'11". Weight 11.5. Determined backman who rarely gives opportunities to the opposition.

**ERNIE NOLAN.** (Capt. and Coach 2nds). Age 25. Height 5'10". Weight 12.10. A rugged utility player who excels when the going is rough.

**SHANE BROWN.** Vice Capt. Still another valuable recruit from North Melbourne YCW who has shown good form either as a rover or centreman; 21, 5'10", 10.8.

**HANS KATALA.** A strong talented full-forward having started with the thirds, whose football career was interrupted by National Service. 24, 6'2", 13.2.

**PETER TWIST.** A brilliant back flanker who is no doubt a potential champion; 17, 6'0", 11.12.

**WAYNE PEGG.** A big ruckman who is an excellent kick and always marks well in defence; 21, 6'0", 13.2.

**BRUCE WHELAN.** Age 26, Height 6'2". Weight 13.11. Strong ruckman, given great service this year.

**BRIAN CARR.** Age 23, Height 5'9". Weight 11.8. Capable backman who turns defence into attack.

**RAY KEANE.** 32, 5'11", 12.7. This year's seconds club best and fairest winner.

**LES BROWN.** 26, 6'0", 13.0. Strong ruckman who has big leap to deliver ball to rovers.

**ROBERT REED.** 18, 5'10", 11.11. Dashing wingman who kicks accurately with either foot.

**ERIC GRUMONT.** 20, 5'10", 11.2. Handy utility player currently enjoying a good season.

**PETER MORAN.** 20, 6'1½", 12.0. Ruckman forward who is rarely beaten and has good goal sense.

**KEN CARMICHAEL.** 20, 5'11", 11.4. Fast centreman who is rarely beaten and gives 100 minutes.

**PETER SHAUGHNESSY.** 17, 6'0", 11.13. Young talented forward having is first season in open age football.

**PETER HOBBS.** 18, 5'11", 13.11. Strong back pocket player who keeps the ball in front of him at all times.

**TERRY RYAN.** 23, 5'10", 14.11. Solid player who is possibly the best kick in the RDFL. Finished 11th in Victoria in the "Sun Newspaper Super-kick competition."

**TIMMY CROTTY.** 17, 5'5", 9.2. Small utility player who tries hard at all times.

**DARRYL McCORMICK.** 17, 6'0". 11.13. Young centre half-back. He could become a future RDFL champion.

**KEN MORAN.** 44, 5'10", 11.8. Ken holds the RDFL record of having played the most number of games in the league. A dedicated clubman that juniors would do well to emulate.

**RAY CASSIDY.** 23, 5'11", 12.4. Handy utility player and great team man.

**FRED SEWELL.** 19, 5'7". 11.0 Recruited from Bendigo League. Strong rover who has given great drive this season.

**TERRY KAYS.** 16, 5'8", 10.0. Ex thirds player who has shown ability in senior football.

**MICHAEL MUNDY.** 16, 5'9", 10.3. Ex thirds player who is a strong mark and a fine kick.

**IAN SMITH.** 18, 5'8", 10.0. Young footballer making his comeback this year, real asset to the club.

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## GATES RECEIPTS — FIRST SEMI-FINAL

	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966
FIRSTS	\$1033	\$ 650	\$369	\$468	\$310	\$376	\$350	\$315
THIRDS	\$ 115	\$ 59	\$ 50	\$ 51	\$ 66	\$ 47	\$ 57	\$ 62

## GATE RECEIPTS — SECOND SEMI-FINAL

	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966
FIRSTS	\$ 780	\$ 767	\$485	\$324	\$390	\$366	\$430	\$375
THIRDS	\$ 154	\$ 70	\$ 74	\$ 65	\$ 61	\$ 63	\$ 76	\$ 57

## GATE RECEIPTS — PRELIMINARY FINAL

	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966
FIRSTS	\$ 877	\$ 712	\$434	\$432	\$379	\$365	\$424	\$271
THIRDS	\$ 106	\$ 95	\$ 53	\$ 70	\$ 54	\$ 57	\$ 65	\$ 51

## GATE RECEIPTS — GRAND FINAL

	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966
FIRSTS		\$1266	\$763	\$598	\$591	\$625	\$510	\$443
THIRDS		\$ 121	\$108	\$ 96	\$ 96	\$ 87	\$118	\$105

## TOTALS FOR SERIES :

TAKS.		\$3740	\$2336	\$2104	\$1947	\$1986	\$2030	\$1679
ATTD.		4085	4472	4208	3894	3976	4060	3358

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# KILMORE SECONDS

**"STAG" LINGARD 32 (Capt.)** — Half-forward flank or centreman opportunist who can cut a backline to pieces with creative play.

**B. HARKHAM, 27 (v-capt.)** — Given great service over many years, centreman who creates opportunities by getting out alone.

**R. EADES, 18** — Centre half-back, great mark, awkward kick but a real dasher.

**R. HERD, 26** — Ruckman, playing the ball at the time, gives rovers every chance with great knockouts.

**M. BUTLER, 27** — Back with us, after a season away. Forward. Who can win a match off his own boot.

**J. NOWACKI, 20** — Wing man or second rover, never knows how to be beaten.

**"JACK" RICE, 19** — Consistent determined half-back flank, rarely turns in a bad game.

**P. DUNCANSON, 21** — Centre-half-forward, great mark, creates opportunities with unselfish play.

**I. BENSTEAD, 22** — Ruck-rover forward, awkward kick, but always gets results.

**M. HANSON, 25** — Full-back, great judgment, good kick who always contests with opposing forwards.

**F. WRIGHT, 28** — Utility player, lacking a yard, but always giving his all.

**F. BAINES, 20** — Back pocket, fiery type makes opposing rovers earn every kick.

**A. SZABO, 20** — First season, could develop into a very handy player.

**B. MOORE, 19** — Forward ruckman, can really turn it on, but sometimes lacks concentration throughout a match.

**J. BUDD, 28** — Utility player. Back pocket or wing, speed and urging is his caper.

**N. THOMPSON, 22** — Ruckman, nothing gentle about Nornie, always giving his all.

**R. CLANCY, 19** — Utility player, season interrupted by injury, player of the future.

**P. THOMAS, 17** — Half forward flanker, fast leads and great spring are his assets.

**G. ROWE, 16** — Former 3rds captain, shows promise when selected lacks the opportunities to settle into a permanent place.

**R. GULEC, 16** — Another 3rds player, nuggety rover had a great season and a player who will star wherever, he plays.

**D. QUINN, 16** — Having another season in the Thirds wasn't Quinney's caper so rucking in the Seconds, all year was an outstanding achievement, still learning, but learning fast.

**G. CLANCY, 25** — Reliable backman. "Jezzas" never beaten and has put in a consistent season.

**J. STEVENSON, 26** — "Jumbo" wing or roving a big heart, in a little frame. He never gives in.

**N. STIMSON, 16** — Thirds player who held his place, all season with consistent play in the backline.

**W. JOHNSON, 22** — Half forward flanker, another opportunist who is deadly accurate with long torpedo punts.

**W. HENDERSON, 26** — Former coach who after a bad injury early in the season, has come back just in time. Elusive forward, great kick for goal.

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# CLUB RECORDS

CLUB	Formed	No. of Prem.	run-up	B. & F.	leading goals
ROMSEY	1874	28	16	4	12
SUNBURY	1879	25	14	6	21
WOODEND	1872	18	22	7	2
LANCEFIELD	1873	17	21	11	6
GISBORNE	1879	13	9	10	3
RIDDELL	1888	5	6	5	1
KILMORE	1887	3	6	2	3
MACEDON	1888	2	3	2	1
HESKET	1873	1	2	4	3
WALLAN	1904	—	1	2	4
TRENTHAM	1870	3	2	2	1
KYNETON	1868	1	2	—	—
NEWHAM	1872	—	1	—	—
BROADFORD	1875	1	1	—	—
EAST TRENTHAM	1869	—	1	—	—
NEW GISBORNE	1904	—	1	—	—
MELTON	1901	6	12	8	5
MELTON SOUTH	1972	—	—	1	—
CRAIGIEBURN	1967	1	—	1	—
DARRAWAIT	1904	—	1	1	1

## THE IMMS SHIELD

A shield was presented to the R.D.F.L. in 1948 by Mr. J. W. Imms, then residing at Romsey, to be held each year by the team becoming the minor premiers. The following is a list of the holders of the shield . . .

1948—KILMORE	1951—ROMSEY	1955—SUNBURY
1949—LANCEFIELD	1952—LANCEFIELD	1956—TRENTHAM
1950—SUNBURY	1953—ROMSEY	1957—SUNBURY
	1954—TRENTHAM	

At this stage the Imms Shield was completed and Lancefield Club offered to defray the cost of a shield to be known as "The W. V. Shannon Shield" to commemorate the Late Bill Shannon, an outstanding player and official of Lancefield Club.

## THE SHANNON SHIELD

1958—SUNBURY	1963—LANCEFIELD	1968—ROMSEY
1959—SUNBURY	1964—WOODEND	1969—WOODEND
1960—GISBORNE	1965—GISBORNE	1970—WALLAN
1961—TRENTHAM	1966—LANCEFIELD	1971—GISBORNE
1962—LANCEFIELD	1967—WOODEND	1972—GISBORNE
		1973—MELTON



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