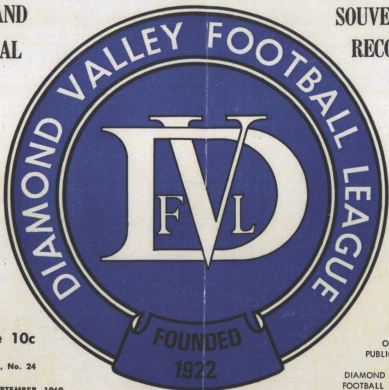


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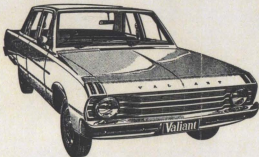
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C GRADE AT 9.45 A.M. — GREENSBOROUGH v. LALOR

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- A GRADE
Eltham 12.3 d. Templestowe 10.8.
- B GRADE
Reservoir Lakeside 11.9 d. Macleod-Rossana 11.6.
- C GRADE
Lalor 11.10 d. Reservoir-Lakeside 3.8.

★ ★

LAST TIME THEY MET

- A GRADE
Diamond Creek 18.13 d. Eltham 14.12.
- B GRADE
Diamond Creek 16.16 d. Reservoir-Lakeside 9.2.
- C GRADE
Greensborough 12.12 d. Lalor 3.3.

ANOTHER GOOD YEAR!

DVFL CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

The DVFL continued its boom of recent years with a vast improvement in Club facilities, Club competition and attendances at all matches.

The most significant highlight this season was the admittance of Watsonia into the competition which meant that the "bye" could be eliminated from the fixture. Watsonia, in their first season in the DVFL, performed creditably for a young club and with a couple of years experience they should prove the faith placed in them by the DVFL. Watsonia continue to be strong in the Under Age Competitions.

In general, the competition has been more open than in recent years and Diamond Creek and Eltham have both broken a long "drought" by appearing in this year's Grand Final. They have heralded a new era to this competition by appearing in today's game, for this is the first time in the history of the D.V.F.L. that the old stalwart clubs of Templestowe, Greensborough, Epping, Reservoir - Lakeside and Heidelberg, have not been among the Grand Finalists in A Grade.

A number of other clubs finished just out of the four and if luck had gone their way during the season they could have been contesting the finals.

This further suggests that as the population of the Diamond Valley area expands, clubs in the outer developing areas are likely to gain tremendously in both talent and local support. Let us hope, in the interests of the D.V.F.L. that such clubs have sufficient progressive officials so that they may further tap the reservoir of talent and support in their respective territories.

Although only in their second season with the D.V.F.L., Lalor have been able to put a team into a Grand Final. In the interests of the D.V.F.L. in general, and the Lalor club in particular, this is a great achievement.

As is inevitable in any competitive sport, some clubs appear to be much weaker than others. If one looked only at the premiership ladder this would be true. However, clubs on the lower rungs of the ladder have demonstrated during the season that they are worthy of a higher position on the ladder.

Probably what is lacking in such

clubs is the ability to play consistently throughout the season which appears to be a function of experience.

Given an active committee, most clubs can break out of the doldrums although, when a club is down, support at times is difficult to get.

Comments heard recently rate the D.V.F.L. as one of the best competitions (outside the V.F.L. and V.F.A.) in the metropolitan area. This observation is evidenced by the increase in attendances at both home-and-away games and the current final series. Support has also been given to our Sunday competition where the stars of the future have been showing their talents.

In fact on Grand Final day for the D and E Grade competitions, over \$100 was taken on the gate through 20 cent (per car load!) donations. This is surely a feather in the cap of all concerned with these competitions.

The Record this year has not done as much "stirring" as in the past, mainly because the opportunities are not arising as frequently as they once did — a mark of improvement in the League!

The main failure of The Record this year has been the lack of letters from interested readers re their views. Whether this is a result of apathy or "no views" is an undecided question, although recent letters published have caused considerable argument within our circles.

We trust you will continue to follow the D.V.F.L. in 1970 and help to improve the standard of all aspects of our competition.

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TODAY'S CLASHES

A GRADE:

Eltham have earned the right to meet Diamond Creek for this year's pennant and indications point to a great game.

Both clubs have enjoyed a very successful season both on and off the field, and given a fine day this should be evident from their respective supporters.

They have met each other twice this year with Creek winning on both occasions, although they have not met on a big ground. In their last meeting Creek jumped away to an early lead and were able to hold out the Panthers. But that was on the small Eltham ground.

Eltham's main attributes this season have been their pace and fitness and on the big Heidelberg ground The Record considers that Eltham will be too good for Creek.

B GRADE:

Reservoir Lakeside front up for their third hard game in a row and it seems unlikely that they will toss the strong Diamond Creek lineup.

Diamond Creek, full of confidence after their 2nd semi victory over Lakes, should be able to take a flag back home — the first B Grade (and Club) flag since 1949.

C GRADE:

Lalor, after finishing the home and away matches in fifth position, have now earned their chance of a Grand Final clash. So far in the finals they have crushed all in their path, although today's game may bring their dreams of a flag to an end.

Greensborough must start favourites for this game and on recent form they should prove too strong for Lalor.

AT THE SIREN — PRELIM. FINAL

A GRADE:

After an even and strongly contested match Eltham were able to draw away from Templestowe in the last quarter to come out comfortable winners by 17 points. Both sides were evenly matched although Eltham showed that fitness is vital in a final series.

| Eltham Templestowe | |
|--------------------|-------|
| 1st Quarter | 4-4 |
| 2nd Quarter | 6-7 |
| 3rd Quarter | 8-8 |
| Final | 12-13 |

Best: Eltham — C. Irvine, I. Graham, G. Crapper, C. Stewart, R. Bray, A. Withers, R. Fitzpatrick. Templestowe — C. Frankish, A. Parriss, M. Turner, K. Cassidy, J. Shaw, P. Smith, P. Wilkinson.

Goals: Eltham — B. Wright (2), W. Irvine (2), R. Scott (2), A. Withers, W. White, N. Serritelli, B. Pardon, R. Bray, B. Capuano. Templestowe — E. Wallace (4), C. Chivers (3), P. Hobbs, P. Chivers, M. Burke.

Umpire: P. Robinson.

Gate takings: \$815. Attendance: 2400.

B GRADE:

MacLeod-Rosanna, after having what looked like a winning score on the board at three-quarter time, again paid the penalty of relaxing in the last quarter by letting Reservoir-Lakeside get up and win by three points.

Reserv.-Lake. Mac-Ros.

| | | |
|-------------|------|------|
| 1st Quarter | 2-1 | 4-0 |
| 2nd Quarter | 4-6 | 5-3 |
| 3rd Quarter | 5-7 | 10-8 |
| Final | 11-9 | 11-6 |

Best: Res.-Lak. — W. Kinealy, M. Loy, A. Love, W. Clark, S. Noad, D. Kneebone. Mac-Ros. — R. Otte, F.

Russell, M. Roberts, R. Waddell, I. Robins.

Goals: Res.-Lak. — A. White (3), A. Sinclair (2), T. Loftus, W. Kinealy, S. Bux, J. Donald, M. Loy, R. Hodgson. Mac-Ros. — I. Morrison (3), G. Pope (3), A. Vittorini, L. Jordan (2), P. Bolton, F. Russell.

Umpire: C. Jackson.

C GRADE:

Lalor certainly proved their right to a position in the final four with a convincing victory over Reservoir-Lakeside. Apart from the second quarter, Lakeside were never in the game.

| Lalor Reserv.-Lak. | |
|--------------------|-------|
| 1st Quarter | 0-3 |
| 2nd Quarter | 3-6 |
| 3rd Quarter | 6-8 |
| Final | 11-10 |

Best: Lalor — I. Cartwright, R. Kernaghan, S. Cleve, P. Dow, K. Marshall, D. Marshall. Res.-Lak. — R. Levins, I. Bennett, R. Berry, G. Dever, N. Bate-man, P. Crouch.

Goals: Lalor — T. Doukas (3), A. Mothersole (3), R. Kernaghan (3), D. Gutterson (2). Res.-Lak. — N. Pocci, R. Berry, F. Sage.

Umpire: K. Seers.

GLIMPSES FROM PRELIM. FINAL

We must be set for a fine day this Saturday — surely we can't have four lousy Saturdays in a row.

Amazing how many spectators think that certain boundary umpires should lend their spectacles to the central umpire.

Still calling for some sawdust or sand in the goalmouths.

Thanks to all clubs for notifying selected sides for the finals on time.

Takings at gate continue to be good. Is a pity the D.V.F.L. couldn't collect from all the cars parked outside the ground.

In the list of D.V.F.L. grand finalists in the past which was printed on Page 7 of last week's Record, the results of the 1922 grand final was inadvertently omitted. This error was found by none other than Harold Hodgson, the captain of Greensborough which won the premiership—Harold had travelled up from Carrum to see the prelim. final.

Hope he makes it again today, although he will have to be early to see a Greensborough side in action.

Eltham supporters must be suffering from heart failure with the close calls their team has had in the finals.

Whilst standing with some Mac-Ros. supporters, The Record noticed that most could give the right decision if they thought about it — although one vocal (and red haired) person would only give free kicks to his team if he were umpire — would hat to see the day!

Congratulations to club runners during the finals — neatly attired in correct uniforms.

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Umpires again doing a good job — this time on the gate. Shows how dedicated our men in white are.

★ Thanks to the Eltham doctor who attended the injured Mac-Ros. B grade player.

★ Boys on the hot dog, etc. stall must have done a roaring trade in last week's cold conditions.

★ TRIBUNAL

The following charges arising from the Preliminary final games were heard by the Tribunal on Wednesday night.

A GRADE:
D. Michelmore (T'stowe) was reported by the central umpire on a charge of kicking W. Irvine (Eltham). He was found not guilty.

B GRADE:
T. Loftus (Res.-Lak.) was reported by field umpire C. Jackson and goal umpire R. Rohde on a charge of striking R. Russell (Mac.-Ros.). He was found guilty and was suspended for 4 weeks.

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Their efforts have helped to make it a magazine worthy of being read by all D.V.F.L. followers. Don't forget to support your local advertisers during the break between seasons.

PRESENTATIONS

League president Charles W. Hart will make the following presentations at half time of the main game in front of the grandstand.

BEST AND FAIREST AWARDS

A Grade (Frank Smith medal)
G. Noble (Mac.-Ros.)

CLUB NOTES

CREEK CAPERS

The unbelievable history-making event has arrived at last. For the first time since 1926 a Diamond Creek First XVIII side can take out a premiership flag and for the first time ever, both Senior sides have a chance for a double flag.

To name the people involved and to mention the many agonising years of work gone into the preparation for this day would fill a full-size book. Bruce Wadson and his

B Grade — D. Job (D. Creek)
C Grade — P. Crouch (Res.-Lak.)
D Grade — W. Tesch (Eltham)
E Grade — R. Walker (G'boro Blacks)

LEADING GOALKICKERS

B Grade (P. J. Gowllett trophy) — J. Ferguson (D. Creek)
C Grade (C. J. Pederson trophy) — M. Horan (G'boro.)
D Grade — W. Tesch (Eltham)
E Grade — G. Wilson (G'boro Maroons)
Best B Grade boundary umpire — E. Mapperson (Eltham).

FROM THE EDITOR

I wish to express my gratitude to all club correspondents who have assisted considerably with the publication of this Record.

To Phil Newell, of Evan Bros. & Newell — Printers, and D.V.F.L. Publisher, Officer, Pat Power, I offer the same expression of gratitude for their help.

And last but not least — thanks to the supporters who purchase this "bit of paper" each week — without your support the publication of The Record would not be possible.

WANTED — PHOTOS OF TODAY'S GAME

If you have brought your camera with you today, how about trying your skill in capturing a good action scene for next year's RECORD cover.

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NEXT LEAGUE MEETING

Tuesday, 30th September, at 8 p.m. in the Anglers Hall, Para Road, Montmorency.

various committees over the years, the social club, the various coaches and many other behind-the-scenes workers have brought the club from obscurity to what will, by this evening, be the pinnacle of success. To these people the club will forever be in debt.

I know this sounds as if we are there already — believe me the players do not. Never have I seen such a "kiss-up" bunch ready to devour the opposition. After our lucky escape of two weeks ago, a dedicated

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D.V.F.L. LEADING GOALKICKERS

| "A" GRADE | | | |
|-----------|--------------|-------|--------------------|
| Season | Player | Goals | Club |
| 1946 | G. Hastings | 73 | Reservoir |
| 1947 | G. Hastings | 112 | Reservoir |
| 1948 | G. Hastings | 68 | Reservoir |
| 1949 | J. Dempster | 97 | Templestowe |
| 1950 | W. Harvey | 102 | Heidelberg |
| 1951 | B. Gillberg | 74 | Montmorency |
| 1952 | W. Dingle | 71 | Montmorency |
| 1953 | R. Kelly | 64 | Eltham |
| 1954 | K. Dennead | 126 | Montmorency |
| 1955 | R. Dennead | 65 | Montmorency |
| 1956 | L. Cann | 85 | Montmorency |
| 1957 | R. Scals | 96 | Greensborough |
| 1958 | G. Walsh | 81 | Epping |
| 1959 | E. Crawley | 70 | Heidelberg West |
| 1960 | I. Francis | 67 | Heidelberg West |
| 1961 | L. Cann | 68 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1962 | G. Walsh | 70 | Epping |
| 1963 | G. Walsh | 96 | Epping |
| 1964 | C. Howard | 74 | Heidelberg |
| 1965 | D. Hayes | 85 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1966 | M. Condie | 81 | Diamond Creek |
| 1967 | B. Drury | 69 | Montmorency |
| 1968 | W. Chapman | 73 | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1969 | E. Wallace | 94 | Templestowe |
| "B" GRADE | | | |
| 1951 | K. Rowe | 105 | Heidelberg |
| 1952 | K. Rowe | 74 | Heidelberg |
| 1953 | E. Nihill | 60 | Heidelberg |
| 1954 | E. Broadbent | 53 | Heidelberg West |
| 1955 | J. Richards | 43 | Greensborough |
| 1956 | R. Ward | 32 | Greensborough |
| 1957 | M. Bucknell | 30 | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1958 | | | |
| 1959 | M. Bucknell | 43 | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1960 | B. Hyde | 55 | Greensborough |
| 1961 | B. Hyde | 53 | Greensborough |
| 1962 | B. McMillan | 42 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1963 | R. Ward | 103 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1964 | D. Gray | 82 | Greensborough |
| 1965 | D. Gray | 55 | Greensborough |
| 1966 | R. Cook | 61 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1967 | C. Richmond | 58 | Heidelberg |
| 1968 | P. Dare | 47 | Macleod-Rosanna |
| "C" GRADE | | | |
| 1968 | B. Vella | 62 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| "D" GRADE | | | |
| 1968 | T. Doukas | 92 | Lalor |
| "E" GRADE | | | |
| 1968 | G. Pike | 28 | Diamond Creek |

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player is emerging more determined and mature than ever.

The Seconds must surely be "odds-on" favourite after defeating Lakies so convincingly a fortnight ago. Don't be complacent, fellows, there is no prize for second best today. To Des Job and his boys, all the best from everyone.

The Seniors will certainly not have their own way as Eltham have already dealt with two prospective contenders — it is unfortunate that their run must come to an end.

The sportsmen's combined church service last Sunday night at the Church of England was an enormous success, churchgoers representing three Diamond Creek churches were present in large numbers. The service was conducted jointly by the Rev. B. Gibbs, of the Church of England, Father Loughnan of the Roman Catholic Church and Pastor Harkness of the Methodist Church. The organisers who planned this night of good fellowship we thank you sincerely.

Win, lose or draw, one of the biggest night's entertainment ever to be seen at Diamond Creek will be held at the club rooms and surrounds straight after the game today. Organisers have food, refreshments and entertainment to cater for an expected crowd of many hundreds. We hope this will be a night for Diamond Creek citizens to remember all their lives. All are welcome and especially old players, etc., of the club will be made very welcome.

Although the football ends today there are many important events for the near future:

Next Saturday evening, V.F.I. Grand Final night, the club is playing host to a football side from Northern Tasmania. This will be in the form of a barbeque-family outing, so let us not let the Victorians down in this venture.

Tickets are almost sold out for the cabaret at the Collingwood Football Club on Friday, October 10, so see Mr. Bob Wilson fast.

May I take this opportunity of wishing all the clubs who didn't quite make it this year, all the best for season 1970.

I also thank the supporters of D.C.F.C. for reading these notes — I know there were some as they let me know in no uncertain manner when I omitted to get to press on time.

To conclude, let me say that there is no doubt in the world, today will be a "red-letter

day" for D.C.F.C. and supporters.

MAX CONNIE.

STOWE SAYINGS

It seems that the one good advantage we had over Eltham and Diamond Creek (playing on the Heidelberg ground the past four years) was not enough to get us to the Grand Final. Congratulations to both Diamond Creek and Eltham for making the Grand Final, even though they stepped over us to do it, and best of luck to both teams today!

Congratulations to Greg Frankish in winning the Macdougall trophy from David Mielchorn in second place and Peter Hobbs in third place. It was a great performance throughout the season and as one bloke said last Saturday night, "I wouldn't mind seeing a team of Greg Frankish's playing for Stowe (even though it would be a rather thin side!)."

The last draw of the Special Event will be drawn on 21st September (tomorrow), also on the same day the votes for the teams will be counted, the Seniors early Sunday morning. The Juniors (U/17s) presentation will be held later in the afternoon. Kevin Murray and Bill Stephens will be there to present the trophies. Admission is \$1 per head. Proceeds to go to the U/17s trip.

The Seniors' presentation night is on October 17, in the Lower Hall of the Heidelberg Town Hall. Tickets set at \$6 a double. Sincere thanks to Penguin Dry Cleaners for their services in cleaning our jumpers, all the players appreciate your work very much. Thank you!

Thanks to all the players and supporters who came down to the rooms after the game. All enjoyed the performances of Cassa and Benna company and to all the people who have followed Templestowe throughout the year. Thanks very much and we hope to see you back in full strength next year! All I can say now is "Go! Go! Stowe!"

LALOR LETTER

Again our Under 17s proved themselves worthy of their place in the finals when they convincingly beat Lakies Under/17s in the preliminary final last Saturday.

After a rather even first half our boys took the game right away from Lakies, despite a

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Premiership Ladders

| A GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
|-----------|----|----|------|------|----|-------|---|
| D. Creek | 19 | 1 | 2444 | 1309 | 76 | 198.7 | |
| T. Stowe | 17 | 3 | 2122 | 1206 | 68 | 175.9 | |
| Eltham | 16 | 4 | 2368 | 1327 | 64 | 178.4 | |
| Epping | 15 | 5 | 2037 | 1473 | 60 | 138.2 | |
| Res.-Lak. | 12 | 7 | 1771 | 1615 | 50 | 109.8 | |
| Mont. | 12 | 8 | 1912 | 1584 | 48 | 120.7 | |
| Mac-Ros. | 11 | 9 | 1866 | 1847 | 44 | 101.0 | |
| G.boro | 9 | 11 | 1725 | 1878 | 67 | 87.1 | |
| H'berg | 7 | 13 | 1525 | 1829 | 28 | 83.3 | |
| Lalor | 7 | 13 | 1513 | 1832 | 28 | 82.5 | |
| H'berg W. | 6 | 14 | 1350 | 1844 | 24 | 82.6 | |
| H'berg W. | 5 | 14 | 1704 | 1989 | 22 | 85.5 | |
| S. Morang | 3 | 17 | 1218 | 2248 | 12 | 54.1 | |
| Watsonia | 2 | 18 | 856 | 2394 | — | 35.3 | |

| B GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
|-----------|----|----|------|------|----|-------|---|
| Res.-Lak. | 18 | 2 | 2253 | 786 | 72 | 206.0 | |
| D. Creek | 18 | 2 | 1927 | 1040 | 72 | 185.3 | |
| Mac-Ros. | 16 | 4 | 2025 | 1063 | 64 | 187.0 | |
| Eltham | 15 | 5 | 1901 | 1206 | 60 | 157.8 | |
| Epping | 12 | 8 | 1570 | 1218 | 50 | 128.9 | |
| H'berg | 12 | 8 | 1364 | 1319 | 48 | 103.4 | |
| Lalor | 11 | 8 | 1417 | 1428 | 46 | 99.2 | |
| Mont. | 10 | 10 | 984 | 1369 | 20 | 113.8 | |
| T. Stowe | 10 | 10 | 1480 | 1505 | 40 | 98.3 | |
| N. H'berg | 5 | 15 | 1073 | 1847 | 20 | 65.1 | |
| G.boro | 5 | 15 | 1393 | 1863 | 20 | 67.1 | |
| H'berg W. | 4 | 16 | 1106 | 1617 | 16 | 68.4 | |
| S. Morang | 2 | 18 | 945 | 2046 | 8 | 46.2 | |
| Watsonia | 1 | 19 | 683 | 2178 | 4 | 30.4 | |

| C GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
|-----------|----|----|------|------|----|-------|---|
| G.boro | 19 | 5 | 2012 | 518 | 76 | 386.4 | |
| Res.-Lak. | 15 | 5 | 1388 | 744 | 60 | 188.1 | |
| T. Stowe | 14 | 5 | 1251 | 691 | 58 | 181.0 | |
| Lalor | 13 | 7 | 1279 | 799 | 52 | 160.1 | |
| Mont. | 12 | 7 | 1204 | 852 | 60 | 141.3 | |
| Eltham | 12 | 7 | 1071 | 888 | 50 | 120.6 | |
| Epping | 12 | 8 | 1033 | 931 | 48 | 111.0 | |
| Watsonia | 9 | 10 | 1001 | 619 | 38 | 102.9 | |
| H'berg | 9 | 11 | 1087 | 1008 | 36 | 107.8 | |
| N. H'berg | 8 | 12 | 1308 | 744 | 32 | 167.9 | |
| Mac-Ros. | 8 | 12 | 1001 | 852 | 32 | 102.9 | |
| D. Creek | 6 | 14 | 763 | 1195 | 24 | 63.8 | |
| H'berg W. | 2 | 18 | 547 | 1655 | 8 | 33.1 | |
| S. Morang | 1 | 19 | 154 | 2983 | 4 | 5.2 | |

| D GRADE | | | | | | | |
|--------------|----|----|---|------|------|----|-------|
| G'b'oro Cits | 15 | 1 | — | 1493 | 484 | 60 | 306.5 |
| Watsonia | 14 | 2 | — | 1138 | 519 | 56 | 219.3 |
| Eltham | 12 | 4 | — | 1390 | 664 | 48 | 209.3 |
| D. Creek | 11 | 5 | — | 1240 | 532 | 44 | 233.1 |
| Lalor | 8 | 8 | — | 890 | 912 | 32 | 97.3 |
| G'b'oro Rov. | 6 | 9 | 1 | 660 | 1015 | 25 | 65.0 |
| H'berg W. | 4 | 11 | 1 | 687 | 1278 | 18 | 53.8 |
| Mont. | 4 | 12 | — | 577 | 1415 | 12 | 40.8 |
| N. H'berg | 3 | 13 | — | 926 | 1004 | 12 | 92.4 |
| T. Stowe | 2 | 14 | — | 386 | 1564 | 4 | 24.7 |

| E GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
|--------------|----|----|-----|------|----|-------|---|
| Watsonia B | 15 | 1 | 955 | 230 | 60 | 415.2 | |
| G.boro Mar. | 13 | 3 | 774 | 444 | 52 | 174.3 | |
| G.boro Bks. | 12 | 4 | 758 | 406 | 48 | 247.1 | |
| Mont. | 12 | 4 | 755 | 332 | 48 | 227.4 | |
| Eltham | 9 | 7 | 680 | 461 | 36 | 147.7 | |
| Watsonia A | 8 | 8 | 539 | 559 | 32 | 96.4 | |
| Lalor | 7 | 9 | 559 | 652 | 28 | 96.4 | |
| D. Creek | 7 | 9 | 515 | 560 | 28 | 91.8 | |
| G.boro Blues | 5 | 11 | 513 | 552 | 20 | 92.5 | |
| T. Stowe | 5 | 11 | 498 | 688 | 20 | 72.3 | |
| N. H'berg | 2 | 14 | 146 | 1248 | 8 | 11.7 | |
| H'berg W. | 1 | 15 | 224 | 971 | 4 | 23.1 | |

IN THE GOALS

| A GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----|----|
| E. Wallace (Templestowe) | — | — | — | — | — | (4) | 92 |
| G. Partington (Greensborough) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 59 |
| B. Drury (Montmency) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 56 |
| J. Carmody (Greensborough) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 55 |
| R. J. Kernaghan (Lalor) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 53 |
| J. Horton (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 53 |
| G. Cohen (Epping) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 50 |
| D. McLaren (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (3) | 52 |
| R. Maslin (Heidelberg West) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 52 |
| G. Conner (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 52 |
| N. Laslett (Heidelberg) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 44 |
| R. Bray (Eltham) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 43 |
| K. Henley (North Heidelberg) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 43 |

| B GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
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| J. Ferguson (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 64 |
| G. Winter (Eltham) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 56 |
| J. Donald (Reservoir-Lakeside) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 50 |
| D. Job (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 47 |
| R. Morrison (Eltham) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 43 |
| G. Ruscukic (Heidelberg) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 36 |
| J. Mason (Epping) | — | — | — | — | — | (5) | 35 |
| J. Wedeson (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (2) | 35 |
| T. Hodgkins (Montmency) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 33 |

| C GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
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| M. Moran (Greensborough) | — | — | — | — | — | (2) | 114 |
| B. Brown (Epping) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 50 |
| J. Haines (Eltham) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 44 |
| R. Hux (Heidelberg) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 44 |
| C. Burge (Montmency) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 41 |
| T. Doukas (Lalor) | — | — | — | — | — | (3) | 40 |
| F. Sage (Reservoir-Lakeside) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 40 |
| R. Harding (Templestowe) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 39 |
| P. Crouch (Reservoir-Lakeside) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 33 |
| J. Jenkins (Watsonia) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 33 |
| P. Money (Greensborough) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 32 |

| D GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
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| W. Tesch (Eltham) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 64 |
| G. Booth (Colts) | — | — | — | — | — | (4) | 54 |
| G. Compton (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (4) | 49 |
| D. King (North Heidelberg) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 48 |
| D. Sutherland (Diamond Creek) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 41 |
| A. Caddy (Watsonia) | — | — | — | — | — | (6) | 35 |
| J. Perkins (Lalor) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 31 |
| K. Wilson (Colts) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 34 |
| S. Barry (Colts) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 31 |

| E GRADE | W | L | D | F | A | P | % |
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| G. Wilson (Maroons) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 40 |
| G. Telgenkamp (Montmency) | — | — | — | — | — | (2) | 32 |
| J. Lorenzini (Templestowe) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 31 |
| G. Cartwright (Lalor) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 26 |
| P. Denley (Watsonia A) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 26 |
| B. Wilson (Watsonia B) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 26 |
| S. Wilmut (Watsonia) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 22 |
| P. Headon (Eltham) | — | — | — | — | — | (1) | 22 |
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| Rover | 14 K. MARSHALL (L) | Rover | 2 P. MONEY (G) |
| 19th | 11 T. DOUKAS (L) | 19th | 7 A. CARRICK (G) |
| 20th | 8 J. BOX (L) | 20th | 15 P. WEBB (G) |
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desperate struggle from a few of Lakies back-line players and their captain Peter Crouch tried hard to keep them in the game.

Our lads ran out easy winners at the final siren by 8 goals. It would be unfair to name best players as this victory was a magnificent team effort with each player doing his respective part when needed. Although we must mention that back-pocket player Peter Dow received the tie and handkerchief set awarded by Mendell's Boys' Wear for his magnificent game.

There are many people to be thanked for their support and help. Top of the thank-you list is Mr. Colin Rose and the committee and supporters of the Epping Football Club. As our ground is under repair and a sprinkler system is being installed, we haven't been able to use the ground for the past fortnight. Epping were able to come to our aid and have let us use their ground for the Under 15s to train on and also for a practice match last Sunday week. It was good to see that Epping were so willing to help us out as this is a very important time of the season to train properly and with the right facilities. We hope we can return the favour some day.

Also a big thanks to Jack Becker and the Lalorites and all our generous Senior players and supporters for their donations when the hat was passed around. Another wonderful job done by team manager Dave Mothersole whose chest is still expanded after his son, Alan, kicked three goals for the match last week.

Thanks also to Bernie, Laurie, George, Keith and Harry Marshall for helping out and everyone else concerned with the Lalor Foot-

ball Club throughout the 1969 season from the team managers through to the gateman. We would like to wish Wee Georgy Sneddon and all the boys the best of luck for today against Greenborough.

This is an open letter to the boys who I hope will read this before they go onto the ground today:—

To all the lads who have made up the Under/17s side throughout the year, including the boys that didn't make the first 20 today. You boys, everyone of you, can be proud of your help towards the team this year and know that you helped to get us in the finals and myself, along with the rest of the committee and supporters, are extremely proud of the way you lads have won your last 10 matches and whatever the result today we will still be proud of you because we know how hard you have tried in recent games. So good luck today, lads, and win, lose or draw come off after the final siren with your heads held high because you will have represented the mighty and magnificent red and white Lalor team in a grand final and remember "put a boy in a Lalor jumper and he becomes a man."

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Last, but not least, I would like to thank the Editor and the printers of the D.V.F.L. Record which, in my opinion, is up to the standard and carries as much information as the V.F.L. Record. The way it is printed and set out is a credit to the people concerned.

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Mont. 15-8 d. Watsonia 7-10

April 19

D. Creek 21-4 d. Eltham 13-13
Epping 15-15 d. Watsonia 5-8
G'boro 21-18 d. S. Morang 7-4
N. H'bg 16-8 d. H'berg 13-10
Lalor 9-9 d. H'berg W. 8-12
Mont. 15-13 d. Mac-Ros. 11-18
T'stows 11-9 d. Res-Lak. 8-10

April 26

Eltham 14-11 d. Lalor 10-11
T'stows 18-16 d. H'bg W. 10-7
Mac-Ros. 12-12 d. Epping 8-17
Mont. 14-11 d. H'berg 9-24
Res-Lak. 17-16 d. N. H'bg 8-14
D. Ck. 13-21 d. S. Mor. 11-11
G'boro 20-18 d. W'sonia 9-4

May 3

D. Creek 22-23 d. Watsonia 15-3
Epping 15-15 d. Mont. 12-13
Mac-Ros. 14-12 d. G'boro 11-12
Res-Lak. 14-7 d. H'berg 13-8
S. Morang 13-12 d. Lalor 13-9
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T'stows 13-13 d. Eltham 11-9

May 10

Eltham 22-27 d. N.H'bg 13-13
Epping 12-16 d. H'berg 12-10
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G'boro 15-13 d. Mont. 14-15
T'stows 14-24 d. S. Mor. 6-10
Lalor 18-16 d. Watsonia 10-8

May 17

D. Creek 15-16 d. Mont. 4-5
Epping 10-11 d. G'boro 6-9
H'bg. 10-13 d. H'bg W. 9-8
Mac-Ros. 13-7 d. Lalor 9-12
N. H'bg 15-10 d. S. Mor. 8-8
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T'stows 17-16 d. W'sonia 4-5

May 24

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N. H'bg 8-11 d. Watsonia 5-2

May 31

D. Creek 11-7 d. G'boro 5-9
Eltham 11-18 d. H'berg 4-7
Lalor 5-12 d. Epping 3-7
H'berg W. 16-8 d. S. Mor. 5-9
Mac-Ros. 8-13 d. N.H'bg 8-10
Res-Lak. 13-16 d. W'sonia 5-4
T'stows 10-16 d. Mont. 6-5

June 7

Epping 14-14 d. T'stows 13-9
G'boro 19-15 d. Lalor 13-11
D. Creek 27-15 d. H'berg 9-15
N. H'bg 16-8 d. H'berg 8-10
Mont. 16-21 d. N.H'bg 7-15
Eltham 20-14 d. S. Mor. 4-8
H'berg W. 20-13 d. W'son 6-12

June 14

Eltham 21-29 d. Watsonia 1-8
Mac-Ros. 18-20 d. H'bg W. 14-10
D. Creek 20-17 d. Lalor 3-12
Epping 13-9 d. N. H'bg 10-8
Res-Lak. 11-13 d. Mont. 10-15
H'berg 12-17 d. S. Mor. 10-7
T'stows 9-12 d. G'boro 8-8

June 21

D. Creek 12-16 d. T'stows 12-15
Epping 17-15 d. Res-Lak. 17-10
G'boro 12-21 d. N.H'bg. 6-14
H'berg 11-17 d. Lalor 11-9
Eltham 22-19 d. Mac-Ros. 12-14
Mont. 25-13 d. H'bg W. 13-12
S. Mor. 18-12 d. W'sonia 15-8

June 28

Eltham 17-12 d. Eltham 15-7
Epping 17-12 d. H'berg 12-10
D. Creek 14-18 d. N. H'bg 8-8
Res-Lak. 11-8 d. G'boro 5-8
Mac-Ros. 14-13 d. S. Mor. 9-8
T'stows 19-17 d. Lalor 8-4
H'berg 13-16 d. W'sonia 6-6

July 5

D. Ck. 19-16 d. Res-Lak. 8-7
Eltham 11-19 d. Epping 17-17
H'bg 20-13 d. H'bg W. 8-10
T'stows 14-14 d. H'berg 12-12
Lalor 15-7 d. N. H'berg 11-11
Mac-Ros. 28-19 d. W'sonia 3-3
Mont. 15-20 d. S. Morang 5-8

July 12

D. Ck 19-15 d. H'bg W. 13-14
Epping 20-26 d. S. Mor. 8-6
Eltham 17-13 d. G'boro 11-11
T'stows 12-13 d. Mac-Ros. 10-8
Res-Lak. 11-18 d. Lalor 9-15
Mont. 20-17 d. W'sonia 2-10
T'stows 17-14 d. N. H'bg 3-8

July 19

D. Creek 18-13 d. Eltham 14-12
H'berg W. 16-23 d. Lalor 10-19
Mont. 15-13 d. Mac-Ros. 10-15
H'berg 13-11 d. N. H'bg 9-11
T'stows 13-15 d. Res-Lak. 12-7
G'boro 11-20 d. S. Morang 13-5
Epping 27-27 d. Watsonia 4-1

July 26

D. Creek 29-19 d. S. Mor. 5-3
Mac-Ros. 17-14 d. Eppg 11-20
G'boro 15-12 d. Watsonia 8-10
Mont. 10-11 d. H'berg 8-14
Eltham 12-12 d. Lalor 7-10
Res-Lak. 14-16 d. N. H'bg 12-4
T'stows 22-9 d. H'bg W. 11-14

August 2

Eltham 15-22 d. T'stows 12-8
H'bg W. 14-16 d. N. H'bg 9-13
Mac-Ros. 20-16 d. G'boro 11-15
Epping 16-11 d. Mont. 14-18
Res-Lak. 21-11 d. H'berg 7-7
Lalor 16-12 d. S. Morang 11-12
D. Creek 9-15 d. Watsonia 4-3

August 9

D. Ck 21-13 d. Mac-Ros. 11-9
Mont. 13-10 d. G'boro 11-13
Epping 18-7 d. H'berg 6-10
Lalor 13-17 d. Watsonia 7-8
Eltham d. N. H'berg
Res-Lak. 14-19 d. H'bg W. 13-12
T'stows 16-20 d. S. Mor. 6-7

August 16

Eltham 22-16 d. Res-Lak. 8-11
Epping 21-12 d. G'boro 10-17
H'berg W. 11-13 d. H'bg 10-6
Mac-Ros. 18-11 d. Lalor 15-5
D. Creek 17-6 d. Mont. 13-9
N. H'bg 17-10 d. S. Mor. 13-9
T'stows 17-15 d. W'sonia 3-2

August 23

D. Creek 18-16 d. Epping 9-16
G'boro 15-17 d. H'berg 15-13
Eltham 17-7 d. H'berg W. 7-15
Mont. 15-15 d. Lalor 10-4
N. H'bg 12-23 d. Res-L. 10-17
T'stows 22-12 d. Mac-Ros. 7-10
S. Mor. 11-14 d. Res-Lak. 10-17

FINALS:

August 30,
September 6, 13, 20

which also means the other club correspondents. There was very rarely any important information forgotten and that wasn't the fault of the Editor or printers. So I can honestly and sincerely say that the outstanding class of the Record has helped to make the D.V.F.L. the very strong league which it is now.

I would like also to wish 'Creek, Eltham, Lakies and the other finalists the best of luck for today.

As this is my last official news column I would like to sign off for the year 1969, and thank everyone who has helped me.

RAY WILSON.

HAWK TALK

What a shame to have to write the last club notes for season 1969, but I suppose there are some who will say "hoorah." However, I think that we have all had a fairly hard season and will probably welcome a rest over the summer months.

We are looking forward to the cricket season and it is anticipated that practice will commence at Ford Park South-West Oval, on Saturday 27th, at 2 p.m. All old and new players cordially welcome.

Congratulations to winning sides Eltham, Res-Lakeville and Lator on their wins last week, and best of luck to all teams taking part in the Grand Finals today. Also, congrats to goal umpire Don Downey on chalking up his 100th game last week. Well done, Don!

Hawk Under 17s and Senior players interested are asked to note that the dinner at Kenville Court, Redesdale Road, Ivanhoe, will be held on Wednesday next 24th, and booking must be made with Ben Thomas on or before Monday 22nd. Guests other than the U/17s will be asked to pay \$3.

The Senior presentation night will be held at "Camellia Reception Rooms," 2 Gooch St., Thornbury, on Friday, 10th October, at 8 p.m. Tickets are available from Mike Richter or Noel McLeod.

The sports night held recently was most disappointing attendance wise — it is amazing just how soon some players forget their obligations as club members. Jim Bowcher was laid aside last weekend and it is hoped that we will see him and "little" Reg around today. The trip to Sydney is a bit dicky at the moment due to the small number of participants and I understand a meeting will be held soon to make a final decision.

Good to see Ossie Grieves, our trainer, helping Eltham out last week. Ossie must have a heart nearly as big as himself. Good to see my friend Arthur Clarke doing a job in the ticket box with former president of our club in Peter Goulett. Also another Life Member of our club, Mr. Chas Hart, doing a magnificent job on the gate. Charles certainly works hard and deserves all the praise he gets. George Le Brocq looked rather happy last Saturday why shouldn't he, it is a long time since the Panthers won a premiership. I hope your smile is bigger than ever around 5 o'clock this evening. George. Russ Scott is mobile again, but this time it is his own car.

Well done, Russ!

The current "Special Effort" is going splendidly, and tickets are as scarce as hens' teeth, so players are asked to return all unsold tickets to "Scottie" as soon as possible. Keep in mind the invitation of the cricket club to pay us a visit at Warringal Park some Saturday during the summer months, you can be assured of a very cordial welcome.

In signing off for 1969, may I say thanks to all who have supported our club this season. It has not been a very successful one for us, but not to worry, we'll be back in 1970 and, who knows, it may be the year of the "Hawks." Congrats to Ian Urquhart on an excellent job as Editor of our Record and to Evans and Newell, the printers, on their presentation. Goodbye now, from all at West.

PANTHER PRESS

Last week's win over Templestowe was well

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and truly celebrated afterwards at the R.S.L. Hall. Henry McFarlane made sure that the team song was well and truly heard, not once but about a hundred times. Thanks must go to the social committee for arranging the dance at such short notice.

So now the Panthers are to appear in a Grand Final for the first time since 1933. On that occasion the flag went Eltham's way. With a little luck 1969 could truly be the year of the Panther. Diamond Creek have not won a flag since 1926, so whichever side wins D.V.F.L., supporters could hardly begrudge them of it.

Half-back flanker Greg Irvine won the Bob Clarke Men's Award for his tremendous game against Templestowe. Greg is only 11 stone but he never shirks the opportunity to trade bumps with the big blokes and often comes out on top. The second vote went to the reliable one, ruckman Ian Graham and third to the speedy little bloke on the wing, Graeme Crapper.

Billy White suffered a bad knock during the second quarter and had to be replaced. However, it's fairly certain that he will be ready for today. Last Sunday morning most players had a light training run at the Heidelberg ground. Possibly for some of them the 3.30 a.m. start would have been a supreme sacrifice as the celebration of the night before kept some of them up to a late hour.

For one Eltham supporter the day ended on a sour note when on leaving the Heideberg ground a gang of louts tore the Eltham streamers, etc. from his car and in doing so damaged the car serial. It is a pity that idiots such as these attend football matches, all they do is give the game a bad name.

As this will be the last of Panther Press for 1969 all that is left to do is congratulate Elgh Mitchell and the players on having reached the Grand Final and wish them the best of luck for today.

One thing more and that is to say that before the preliminary final ruckman Neville Withers entered hospital to have a cartilage removed. Knowing what a determined fella he is I am sure that we will be seeing Neville back in the Panther colours next year, and on behalf of the club wish him a speedy and successful recovery.

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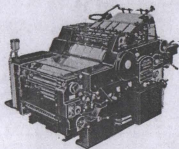
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|-----------|----|----|-----|-------|
| D. Creek | 76 | 36 | 6 | 118 |
| Eltham | 64 | 30 | 12½ | 106½ |
| T'stowe | 68 | 20 | 14½ | 102½ |
| Res.-Lak. | 50 | 36 | 15 | 101 |
| Epping | 60 | 25 | 12 | 97 |
| Mac.-Ros. | 44 | 32 | 6 | 82 |
| Mont. | 48 | 20 | 12½ | 80½ |
| G'boro. | 36 | 10 | 19 | 65 |
| Lalor | 28 | 23 | 13 | 64 |
| H'berg | 28 | 24 | 9 | 61 |
| N. H'berg | 24 | 10 | 8 | 40 |
| H'berg W. | 22 | 8 | 2 | 32 |
| S. Morang | 12 | 4 | 1 | 17 |
| Watsonla | — | 2 | 9½ | 11½ |

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