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Sadler Praises and Frowns on L.B.C. Performance

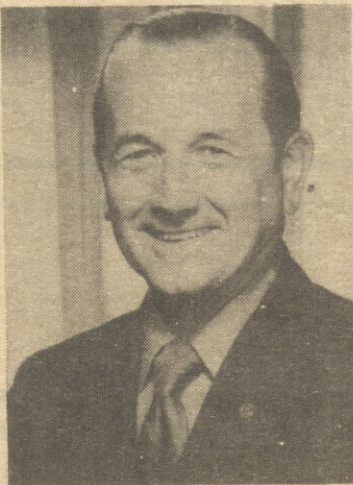
The performance of the London Boxing Club on the field at Swangard Stadium on Sunday, 11th May, 1975 was a credit to the Club, and players and management alike should be justly proud

It is too bad that glory of accomplishment in winning the coveted Province Cup should be overshadowed by the performance of the team during the presentation of the awards and by the comments and criticisms emanating from various players and officials of the Club against organized soccer on Vancouver Island and the British Columbia Soccer Commission.

Much has been said over the last year or so against the principle of regionalized soccer in British Columbia, but little or nothing is ever said about the benefits of the system in the overall development of the game, particularly in those areas outside the boundaries of Metropolitan Vancouver.

If this great game of soccer is to progress in British Columbia and in Canada, the natural climatic and travel problems are sufficient deterrent without limiting the development to the Vancouver area alone; surely we cannot sacrifice the needs and wishes of the majority for what are obviously purely selfish demands of an isolated few objectionists.

If the London Boxing Club are so enamoured with the British Columbia Soccer League, then maybe those players, who are dissatisfied, should move to Vancouver and play in that league instead of openly criticizing the game on Vancouver Island at every opportunity.



WILF SADLER

The London Boxing Club would do well to consider just who provided the opportunity for their Club to compete in the Province Cup Competition. The Vancouver Island Region payed their \$100.00 entry fee, the British Columbia Soccer Commission provided \$175.00 towards the Club's travel expenses, and the right to have a regional winner enter the cup competition at the semi-final level was a direct result of the efforts of the two Vancouver Island Commission members, with the support of Doug Day, the Island Regional President.

This principle was supported by all regional districts except Vancouver and is a vast improvement over the past when great teams from the Victoria area, such as the Victoria O'Keefes, the then Kennedy Cup winners and the Victoria West United league and playoff winners, were literally forced to decline entry in the Province Cup by virtue of being required to play several early round games on the Mainland in open parks, with no financial assistance being provided.

As an officer of both these great Clubs I was well aware of the economic problems involved in entering an amateur club into such a financially disastrous arrangement. I was also aware of the total disappointment of the Island players concerned.

It would appear to me that the criticisms of the London Boxing Club against the present system are without foundation, and are based upon purely selfish interests and an ignorance of the history of the game on Vancouver Island.

The problems related to inter city competition, particularly between Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland are well known by those who have spent a lifetime in amateur sport and to prolong a system which increases the problems without any visible signs of true progress in the development of the game itself would be futile.

It is fortunate indeed that the game of soccer on Vancouver Island can, despite the barbs and criticisms of the London Boxing Club continue to enjoy the benefits of many years of experience as is provided by men like Art Shaw, Doug Day, Tom Forrester and many others who have the respect of the majority of the sporting fraternity, a respect that was earned by a dedication and integrity in office at all levels of the game.

Maybe the London Boxing Club should realize that respect and integrity must be earned. As the Province Cup winner and the official representative of Soccer in British Columbia at the upcoming inter-provincial competitions, I am of the opinion that a definite change in attitude would be most desirable.

Wilf Sadler,
Vice Chairman of B.C.S.C.
Chairman of Province and
Russell Cups.



—Bill Halkett Photo.

ON DISPLAY SATURDAY at 75th anniversary celebration of Victoria West Football Club will be these trophies won by Wests during District Soccer League season. In front row are Jack Metcalfe (left), manager of Division 1 club that won Jackson Cup; Dave Unwin, Division I coach; and Alec Lynch (right),

manager of Division II team that won playoff for Dobbs Cup and received Referees' Trophy for sportsmanship. In back row are Ranjit Dillon (left), most-valuable player in Jackson Cup play; Ernie Rober, Division II coach, and Robbie Williams (right), winner of Division I rookie-of-the-year award.

Play-off Cup

Wednesday 7:45 p.m. - Vic West vs Nanaimo - Athletic Park
Jackson Cup

Sunday 2:15 p.m. - Vic West vs UVic - Athletic Park

Van. Island Premier Div. Soccer will wrap up the 1973-74 season with two cup finals this week at Athletic Park. On Wednesday evening at 7:45 The Jackson Cup will be at stake when UVic Vikings meet the youthful Vic West team coached by **Geo Paul**.

Last Wednesday, 17th, evening fourth place Vic West F.C. and second place finishers UVic fought through an exciting, fast, defensive battle that had to go into extra time before a goal by **Rob Williams**, 5 minutes into overtime put the Wests into the finals. Both teams played fine soccer with **Mike Sails** of UVic and the West's **Glen Robinson** outstanding.

This is getting to be a habit

Those play-off games between Vic West and UVic are setting too familiar a pattern, as Vic West captured the Jackson Cup on a 1-0 overtime win over the Vikings in Vancouver Island Soccer League's Premier division play-off Wednesday.

Exactly one week earlier Vic West nipped the same Vikings by the same 1-0 score, again in overtime in a Play-off Cup semi-final. The final against Nanaimo City is set for Royal Athletic Park Sunday at 2:15.

Dave Graas headed the winning goal Wednesday on a corner kick from **Robbie Williams** at 10 minutes of the 30-minute overtime period and goaltender **Jim De Goode** finished it off by maintaining his shut-out pace to more than 260 minutes. ●

Over at Heywood Park, London Boxing Club gave Vic West a battle and only a goal by **Robby Williams** scored at 43 minutes decided the contest.

The opener Saturday at Royal Athletic Park was the rouser as Cosmo Royals needed overtime to sink Oak Bay 4-2.

That contest was even through regulation time as **Gil McIlraith** opened the scoring for the Royals at 30 minutes but **Jersey Hraskey** struck back at 34 minutes and the half ended with the teams deadlocked at 1-1. Early in the second half,

Victoria West overwhelmed DaVinci 9-1 Sunday at Heywood Park.

Victoria West was lead by **Mike Sails** with three goals, his teammates, **Robbie Williams** and **Steve Forslund**, scored two apiece. Singles came from **Garry McLaren** and **Greg Booth**.

DaVinci scored late in the match on a penalty shot.



—Photo by John McKay

LOOK OVER SHOULDER by Oak Bay goalie Luigi Lesi confirms fact that ball is behind him while Mike Beaulac of Victoria West is poised for action at right. Defender Stan Wise-

man is at left. Lesi had busy time Sunday as Wests scored 4-2 win in clash between Victoria and District Soccer League first division clubs at Topaz Park. Story is on Page 14.

Soccer honors awarded

Two members of the B.C. champion Victoria London Boxing Club squad were among the trophy winners Saturday at the Vancouver Island Soccer League's annual awards banquet.

Kjeld Brodsgaard was named goalkeeper of the year and striker-captain George Pakos was selected as most valuable player in the premier division.

Mike Hardy of Victoria West was named VISL rookie of the year and teammate Robbie Williams was honored as the premier division's top scorer. And Prospect Lake was selected as most sportsmanlike team in the premier division.

Bagicha Bains of playoff-champion Island Pacific Oilers was named most valuable player in the second division and Luigi Lise of league-champion Da Vinci earned most valuable player honors in the third division.

Al Schaub, secretary of the VISL, was named the executive of the year.

V.I.P.S.L. Awards Banquet

'74-'75 Season Wind-Up

On the evening of May 17th, the executive, members and guests gathered at the Union Centre for the Wind-up of the 1974/75 Soccer Season, with presentation of awards. In the Premier Division awards the 'hardware' had been presented at the conclusion of the various games, but they were drawn attention to and re-presented to-night.

McGavin Cup - Vic. West
League Winners - London Boxing Club
League Play-off Winners - U.Vic Vikings
Jackson Cup - London Boxing Club
Province Cup - London Boxing Club
Most Valuable Player - George Pakos (L.B.C.)
Goal Keeper of the Year - Kjeld Brodsgaard (L.B.C.)
Top Scorer - Robbie Williams (19 goals) (Vic West)

Rookie of the Year - Mike Hardy (Vic West)
Sportsmanlike Team - Prospect Lake.

SECOND DIVISION-
League Winners - Vic West
League Play-off Winners - Island Pacific Oil
Most Valuable Player - Bagicha Bains (Island Pacific Oil)

THIRD DIVISION -
League Winners - Esquimalt
League Play-off Winners - London Boxing Club
Most Valuable Player - Luigi Lise (Da Vinci)
Executive of the Year - Al Schaub, the hard working secretary of the League.

The trophies were presented at the conclusion of the banquet - a special trophy was presented within the framework of the London Boxing Club for the

most improved player of the season, to Ash Douglas. The donors of this beautiful trophy were Mr. & Mrs. G.G. Lomas.

The evening was rounded out by a dance, enjoyed I am sure, by all in attendance.

While the season proper has now drawn to a close, 2 facets of competition are still going on. The Vancouver Island League All-Stars will be in competition on May 31st and June 1st in Kelowna for the Russell and Kelowna Cups. London Boxing Club will be playing at a date to be announced in the Western Division Play-offs for the Dominion Cup - emblematic of soccer supremacy of Canada.

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Vancouver Island Soccer League

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Van. Island Soccer League

Sat. April 19th, Royal Athletic Park, Nanaimo City vs. Vic. West. (Jackson Cup Semi-Final).

Before a crowd of about 150, on a sunny but windy afternoon, these two clubs met in one of two, sudden death semi-finals. The outcome after a process of elimination games starting with 23 teams will be to represent Vancouver Island Soccer League in the Semi-Finals of the Province Cup, as well as winning the coveted Jackson Cup

The West's playing with the wind at their backs would have the advantage for the first half of play. Making the most of their advantage the West's struck early for the first goal of the match. Taking a pass from **Mike Hardy**, (League High Scorer), **Robbie Williams**, cleanly beat goalie **Ted Van Waes**, at the five minute mark. While Nanaimo was not out of the play, they were having some difficulty against the wind, the ball taking, some funny curves on shots on goal. At the 29 minute mark, taking a pass from **Williams**, **Steve Forslund** added to the West's score. There was no further scoring to the half.

Taking advantage of the change around Nanaimo City pressed the attack, but young **Gordie Reading** (called up from the Juvenile ranks) proved equal to the occasion, showing some excellent form, handling all the shots Nanaimo City strikers fired at him. On a sudden break by the West's strikers, **Forslund** rifled a goal home against the wind, at the 61 minute mark. On a sudden come back after the centering of the ball Nanaimo sprung right back. The final move of the attack saw veteran **Ike McKay** walk the goal in, passed a sprawled **Reading**. The scoring was rounded out at the 85 minute mark when **Forslund** struck for his "hat trick" of the afternoon. So Vic. West advances to the Jackson Cup Final and Nanaimo City is eliminated.

Final Score: Nanaimo City 1, Vic. West 4.

Scorers: Nanaimo City; **Ike McKay**. Vic West: **Robbie Williams**, **Steve Forslund** (3).

Premier soccer

Semi-final opponents study in contrasts

Semi-final action in the premier division of the Vancouver Island Soccer League this weekend features the "shooters" versus the "stoppers."

The two top-scoring clubs — Victoria West and Nanaimo City — have been drawn against the teams allowing the fewest goals — University

of Victoria Vikings and London Boxing Club.

Vikings and Vic West will meet at 2 p.m. Saturday in Royal Athletic Park while the league-champion Boxers will tangle with Nanaimo on Sunday, starting at 2 p.m. on the same pitch.

The semi-final winners advance to the league final April 12 at Royal Athletic Park.

The second-place Vikings allowed only 17 goals in 18 games this season while the fourth-place Vic West team, powered by 19-goal scorer **Robbie Williams**, counted 73 in 18 starts.

Boxer-goalskeeper **Kjeld Brodsgaard** led the league in shutouts with eight and allowed only 17 goals during the season while Nanaimo City scored 57 times in their 18 outings.

The same four clubs will meet in the Jackson Cup semi-finals later this month to determine the Island representative for the Province Cup playoffs.

Victoria West will meet Nanaimo City on April 19 and the Boxers will play the Vikings the following day — both games at Royal Athletic Park.

The Jackson Cup final will be played April 27 with the winner playing host to the Fraser Valley champions in the Province Cup semi-finals here on May 3.

The winner will meet the winner of the B.C. Soccer League-Okanagan semi-final later in May.

In Division II playoffs this weekend, Victoria West and Saanich Jaycees will meet in a semi-final at Heywood Avenue Park while Island Pacific Oilers meet UVic Norsemen at Topaz Park. Both games start at 2:15 p.m. Sunday.



Mark William's (Vic West) perfect shot makes the top right corner.
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VIC WEST TOPPLE LBC

Van. Island Soccer League.
(Premier Division)

by Derek Elcoate.

London Boxing Club vs. Vic West at Royal Athletic Park, Sat March 20.

In spite of the Blustery afternoon a good number of fans were on hand for this game, matching the two leading teams in this division. Having the near side pitch (closest to the stands) was another drawing factor.

The strong wind was blowing from goal to goal, on the kickoff the West's had the wind behind them. Making the most of this advantage the West's pressed their attack. At the 15 minute mark outside left, **Greg Booth**, lobbed a cross to outside right, **Steve Forslund** who beat keeper **Kjeld Brodsgaard**, with a close-in high lob.

At the 29 minute mark, an infraction was called on the Wests, inside the penalty area. The penalty shot was taken by Boxer's **Bob Bolitho** who beat Keeper **Jim de Goede** to even up the score. While not taking anything away from the other players, **Forslund** seemed to resent losing the one goal lead

he had given the Wests and within 7 minutes notched another tally to put his side ahead once more. This rounded out the scoring for the first half, with the Wests holding a one goal lead.

Five minutes into the second half an infraction inside the penalty area was called against the Wests. **Garnett Moen** of Boxers took this penalty shot and scored to tie up the score once more.

At the 59 minute mark an infraction was called against Boxer's inside the penalty area, this penalty shot was taken by **Booth** who scored the go ahead goal for the Wests.

While both sides had their opportunities no further scoring took place in the game. Final results of this game gave the Wests a 1 point lead in the League Standings, however Boxing Club have one game in hand, so as this season draws to its close the fans have plenty keep them on the edge of their seats 'til the final game is over.

Final Score. London Boxing Club 2; Vic West 3.

Vic West, Pauls in final Sunday

Victoria West and Vancouver Italian-Canadian Pauls will play for the B.C. senior soccer championship Sunday at Centennial Stadium.

The Island champions earned a berth in the Province Cup final by scoring a 3-1 decision over White Rock United Sunday at Empire Stadium in Vancouver while Pauls advanced by blanking Burnaby Cliff Avenue, 6-0, at Swangard Stadium in Burnaby.

Victoria held the edge in play throughout their match but only Steve Forslund could beat the White Rock defence in regulation time which ended, 1-1.

The Mainland team finally wilted under the pressure and Darryl Hooker counted the winning goal six minutes into the second 15-minute overtime period.

John McGuire added an insurance goal approximately six minutes later.

Duncan Smith had given White Rock the lead at 39 minutes but Forslund tied the game about four minutes later.

Sergio Zanatta and Robin Elliott scored two goals each for Pauls and Doug Wilson and Mike McLeod scored once each.

Sunday's game starts at 2:15 p.m. If Victoria wins then it will be host to the winner of the Alberta-Saskatchewan playdown in the Western Canada final on Aug. 14.

WESTS GAIN CUP FINAL ON OVERTIME VICTORY

VANCOUVER — Darryl Hooker and John McGuire scored in the second half of overtime to boost Victoria West to a 3-1 decision over White Rock United in provincial Cup soccer semi-final action here Sunday.

In the other semi-final, Vancouver Italian Canadian Pauls blanked Burnaby Cliff Avenue United, 6-0.

Duncan Smith gave White Rock an early lead with a goal at the 39-minute mark but Steve Forslund evened the count four minutes later.

West's carried the play all the way but couldn't penetrate the tight White Rock defence and the score remained tied 1-1 until the six-minute

mark of the second 15-minute overtime session when Hooker connected. McGuire notched the insurance tally about six minutes later.

Sergio Zanatta and Robin Elliott set the pace for Pauls with two goals each. Singles were added by Doug Wilson and Mike McLeod.

The final for the Provincial Cup, emblematic of senior

soccer supremacy in B.C., will be played next Sunday in Victoria. If Victoria West wins the B.C. crown, the Vancouver Island Soccer League's premier division club will play host to the Alberta-Saskatchewan winner in the Western Canada final, Aug. 14.

Vic West vs. U.Vic Vikings at Royal Athletic Park, 2:15 on Saturday, 27th of Sept.

This game matched two teams that, last season, ended up in the top four positions. Both teams would be short a regular player - **Mike Hardy** of the West's and **Gord Horth** of U.Vic playing for the under 18 Provincial team. Both teams also had some doubtful starters, due to injuries. 'Weather wise' it was a beautiful sunny day, so the 215 fans on hand could look forward to good afternoon of soccer.

From the opening whistle the Wests went on the attack, showing the much better ability to be more accurate on their passing. Both defensive squads protected their areas well, giving the goalies very little to do for the first 20 minutes or so. Both teams were playing the wandering forward line, players filling in the blank spots; not playing strictly positional soccer. At the 22 minute mark, **Robbie Williams** of the Wests put right winger **Steve Forslund** in the clear and **Steve** beat keeper **Mike Armstrong**, with a well placed shot. At the 37 minute mark, **Williams** received a through pass from link **Greg Melish**, for the West's second tally.

This play completed the scoring for the first half of play. The only goal of the second half came 11 minutes into the half, when on a repeat of the first goal, **Williams** put **Forslund** in the open for goal number three for the Wests.

Though both teams threatened on plays no further scoring took place.

Keeper, **Jim de Goede** posted his second "shut out" in two games for a good start to the new season.

Final Score: Vic West 3: U.Vic Vikings 0.

Scorers: **Steve Forslund 2, Robbie Williams 1.**

Vic West Holds Villa

Vic West vs. Powell River Villa at Royal Athletic Park on Sat. March 6th.

With the season drawing to it's close and all soccer being cancelled last weekend, it was a very pleasant afternoon for this meeting of two of the top four contenders for top honours.

Vic West showed at the opening kick off that they wanted this game badly - a win today could leapfrog them into first spot. However, it was the Villa's that got on the scoreboard. Taking a cross pass from winger, **Larry Louie**, playing coach, **George Orchiston** beat keeper **Jim de Goede** from close in, at 6 minute mark.

Not to be outdone the Wests stormed right back. Left half, **John McGuire** connected a beautiful head ball on a corner kick by left winger, **Greg Booth**. He placed it in the top corner past keeper **Mike Verdiel**, at the 9 minute mark.

Still pressing their attack the Wests' centre forward **Rob Williams** got the go ahead goal at the 15 minute mark. At the 33 minute mark inside right **Gary McLaren** fired home a pass from inside left **Steve Moss**.

The half ended with the Wests holding a two goal lead.

At the 2 minute mark of the second half the Wests once more connected with a fine exhibition of close passing, right winger **Steve Forslund**, scoring on a play **Booth** to **Moss** to **Forslund**.

At the 72 minute mark **McLaren** scored his second tally of the afternoon, on a pass from **Booth**.

At this stage in the game it looked like a run away for the Wests, but Villa weren't going to go down without a fight. At the 79 minute mark **Brian Gomez** scored Villa's second goal from close in after a goal mouth scramble. This closed out the scoring in the game, giving Vic West a well earned win.

Final Score: Vic West 5; Powell River Villa 2.

Scorers: Vic West: **John McGuire, Rob Williams, Gary McLaren 2, Steve Forslund.** For Powell River Villa: **George Orchiston, and Brian Gomez.**

Quarter-final play in the Province Cup soccer competition begins this weekend.

Vic West and Oak Bay clash in Royal Athletic Park Saturday at 2:15 p.m. and on the Mainland, Burnaby Cliff Avenue meets Pegasus at Swanguard Stadium.

In Saturday's encounter between the two Island teams at Athletic Park, Vic West may have the edge if play over the season is an indication.

The Wests play the fast-short-passing game and have several players who are dangerous up front.

One is inside right **John McGuire**. His outstanding play in the Jackson Cup final earned him the MVP award.

Another forward the Bays must contend with is **Steve Forslund**. He can get that ball in from the wing with authority. One of his targets, of course, will be forward centre **Rob Williams**, last year's scoring leader.

Rounding out that potent Vic West forward line are two high schoolers, **Greg Booth** and **Steve Moss**.

Offensively, the Oak Bay side have some people who might just be the key to their success. Men like **Josde Bruin**. He's always around the ball in the middle and is capable of breaking in the clear.

Brett Large is another player Vic West will have to contend with, and so is the always-dangerous **Bob Duncan**.

Both sides are good defensively. **Darryl Hooker** is a tough guy to get around for the Wests, and **Jersey Hrasky** is a steady performer on the Oak Bay backfield.

Hrasky is doubly-dangerous. He was converted to defence from the forward line this season and might make his presence known if Oak Bay happens to get the play into the Vic West zone.

Jim Veenhoff for the mainlanders.

Vic West, with two goals each from **Robbie Williams**, **Gary McLaren** and **Greg Booth** and one from **Barry Robbins**, topped Prospect Lake 7-2. **Ted King** and **Bib Lee** scored for the losers.

And **Cosmopolitan** **Rovals** and **Oak Bay** played to a 2-2 draw, **John Blissett** and **Dave Wey** scoring for the Bays, **Russ Ball** and **Arthur Smith** for the **Rovals**.

Results of matches in second and third divisions:

DIVISION II

LABATTS (8) - Bud Livingston 4, Fred Brandal 3, Barry Goodson; LONDON BOXING CLUB (0).

Results of four other matches not turned in to the divisional score recorder.

DIVISION III

KICKERS (1) - Rudi Stein; DUNCAN VILLAGE GREEN (1) - Wayne Williams.

DA VINCI (10) - Robert Gutierrez 4, Tony Fantillo 2, John Spadafora, Dave Fish, Leo Asquini, Robbie Luglisse; SAANICH JAYCEES (0).

BUCCANEERS (1) - Warner Schwan; OAK BAY (2) - T. Kanya, W. Peters.

ESQUIMALT (3) - Peter Barton 2, Dave Flucker; CASTAWAYS (0).

Scores of two other matches not turned in to the divisional score recorder.

league.

In Premier Division play on the weekend, **Boxers** hammered **Duncan Village Green**, 5-0; **Brian Robinson** and **Bob Bolitho** scored two goals each and **Dean Stokes** had the other.

Gorge played to a 1-1 tie in **Powell River**, **Barry Hilton** scoring for the visitors and



— Colonist photo by Alex Barta

CLEARING BALL. Brett Large of Oak Bay evades sliding Robbie Williams of Victoria West during B.C. senior soccer quarter-final match Saturday at Royal Athletic Park. Greg Booth of Vic West and Robin Burrell of Oak Bay follow play. Vic West scored 5-3 win in game decided by penalty kicks.

Backfired Pass Beats Vikings

A clearing attempt that failed cost the University of Victoria Vikings the McGavin Cup Tuesday night.

Vikings were tied 1-1 with Victoria West in the final of the Vancouver Island Soccer League premier-division eight-team knockout even at Royal Athletic Park when they made the defensive blunder.

Two minutes from the end,

fullback Jim Marshall jumped up to clear a high ball and headed it back into his own net to give Vic West a 2-1 win and the cup.

Vikings had been in charge in the first half and took a 1-0 lead on Mark Robb's goal at the 16-minute mark but the Wests came on strongly in the second half and Robbie Williams got the equalizer after 69 minutes.

In the other Premier Division games Sunday Vic West, getting two goals each from Gary McLaren, Greg Booth

and Robbie Williams and one from Barry Robbins, downed Prospect Lake 7-2. Bobby Lee and Ted King scored for the losers. And Oak Bay and Cosmopolitan Royals drew 2-2. Dave Wey and John Blissett scored for Oak Bay and Arthur Smith and Russ Ball, with the equalizer 10 seconds before the end, netted for the Royals.

Speaking briefly

Vic West in final

It took a series of penalty kicks Tuesday to decide the second finalist for the McGavin Cup senior soccer competition.

Cosmopolitan Royals and defending - champion Victoria West fought to a 1-1 tie in regulation time and two 15-minute overtime periods in the match at Royal Athletic Park.

Vic West then outscored Cosmos by 4-2 on the series of five penalty kicks to win the spot in next Tuesday's final against University of Victoria Vikings.

Robbie Williams, who scored the regulation-time goal, Greg Booth, Dave Graas, Ralph Anderson and Gary McLaren were the Vic West marksmen while Russ Lamb, in regulation time, Russ Ball and Gil McIlraith scored for the Royals.



--Colonist photo by Alex Barta

NO HANDS touched the ball on this play as Steve Moss of Vic West falls between the ball and Dan Henry of Cosmos during Vancouver Island

Soccer League action Saturday at Topaz Park. Others shown are Robbie Williams (9) and Gary McLaren (8) of Vic West, 6-0 winners.

Vic West trims Cosmos

Steve Forslund and Greg Booth scored two goals each Saturday to lead Victoria West to an easy victory in premier-division action of the Vancouver Island Soccer League.

Forslund scored the first goal in each half and Booth

counted twice from the penalty spot in a 6-0 romp over

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UVic Vikings	13	9	1	3	38	11	21		
Boxing Club	12	9	1	2	33	13	20		
Nanaimo City	14	8	2	4	49	19	20		
Vic West	15	9	5	1	56	23	19		
Oak Bay	13	5	4	4	25	30	14		
Powell River	12	5	5	2	39	31	12		
Cosmo Royals	13	4	7	2	28	35	10		
Gorge Molsons	14	3	8	3	22	37	9		
Prospect Lake	14	1	11	2	20	72	4		
Duncan	12	1	10	1	16	55	3		

Cosmopolitan Royals at Topaz Park. Robbie Williams, and Dave Graas were the other marksmen.

The win boosted Victoria West back to within a point of London Boxing Club and Nanaimo City, tied for second place in the 10-team division.

Vic West vs. Nanaimo City.
Topaz Ave. Park, Sat. Nov. 1st.

This game was played at a changed venue, due to Royal Athletic Park being closed indefinitely due to poor field conditions. In spite of the threat of rain and competing against record crowds at another sporting event (Sandown Park Horse Racing) a good crowd was on hand for the kick-off. They were rewarded by seeing one of the best soccer games, between two evenly matched teams.

Returning to their respective clubs from the Pan Am Games where they played with the Canadian National Team, were: **John McGuire** of the West's and **Ray Telford** of Nanaimo City.

The first scoring in the game went to the West's; when **Steve Forslund** scored. **Ike McKay** of Nanaimo City got that one back. **Forslund** then scored his second of the afternoon to put the West's ahead. Not to be outdone **McKay** with a penalty shot tied it up again. The half ended with this deadlocked score, while just two men had produced all the goals, it had been teamwork all the way through.

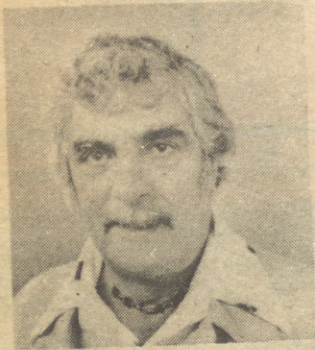
At the 6 minute mark of the second half, striker **Gary McLaren** put his counterpart in the clear and **Robbie Williams** put the West's ahead once more. With only about eight minutes left to play left winger, **Ray Clarke** of Nanaimo put on a fine solo display to tie up the game again. Trapping a goal kick he proceeded to split the West's defence and fire home the breaker from about 30 yards out.

This game provided all the thrills associated with Soccer, when one team is fighting for first spot and the other is starting to emerge from a slump and display some of last season's form.

Final Score: Vic. West 3; Nanaimo City 3.

Premier Soccer

Crisp Play In Zero Weather



by Derek Elcoate.

Vancouver Island Soccer League Premier Division.

Vic West vs. Gorge Molsons. Played at Royal Athletic Park, Saturday, November 29th.

The handful of hardy fans who braved the cool weather - most of the game was played in temperatures of zero degrees to one below, saw a match that at certain times saw each team dominate the other.

The West's came out from the opening whistle displaying some short crisp passes which had Molsons at a loss.

At the 6 minute mark, left winger, **Marc Bolli** drew the defence and laid down a perfect cross to allow centre back **Butch Foster** to beat Gorge Keeper, **Graham Lee** for the West's first tally.

After the West's goal, Molsons picked up on their play and had the West's defence working hard to stop their quick centre field thrusts. Keeper **Jim deGoede** was also called on to make some spectacular saves to protect his team's one goal lead.

As the half was drawing to a close it looked like this long tally would stand up. However, with only four minutes to go, striker

Bill Walker crossed a pass to link, **George Hyne** who beat **de Goede** to equal the score.

With their goal, late in the first half, Gorge came out and had most of the play in the second half. On numerous occasions, the strength of backs **Barry Hilton**, **Doug Wellbourne** and **Leigh Hegan** stemmed the flow. Plus Keeper **deGoede** was once more called on for solid netminding to foil the Molson Squad from going ahead in this contest.

With only two minutes left in the game, on a play, contrary to the flow of the match, **Greg Melish**, beat Keeper **Lee** on a rather scramble goal, for the winning marker.

Final score: Vic West 2; Gorge Molsons 1.

Scorers:
Vic West: **Butch Foster**, and **Greg Melish**.

Gorge Molsons: **George Hyne**.

Vancouver Island Selects hammered Bradner Red Shirts, defending champions of the Fraser Valley Soccer League, 6-0 Monday in an interlocking match at Royal Athletic Park.

Robbie Williams of Victoria West and Larry Louie of Powell River Villas scored two goals each for the Selects, made up of two players from each of the 10 teams in the premier division of the VISL.

Mike Salis of University of Victoria Vikings and Barry Hilton of Gorge Molsons scored the other goals.

Selects led 2-0 at the half.

West casual winner on sunny Sunday

Summer came with a rush to Royal Athletic Park Sunday.

Shirt-sleeved fans lounged in the bleachers soaking up the warm sunshine.

And, on the field, Victoria West and Nanaimo City players lounged through 70 minutes of the most casual soccer of the Vancouver Island League season. This was the league's premier-division playoff final

and the Wests won 4-2 after a series of penalty shots.

But for the first 70 minutes, players on both teams didn't seem to connect this with the game they had been playing all season.

Neither team appeared to want to put much effort into it. Nanaimo, which shocked the league-champion Cosmopolitan Royals 2-1 to reach the final, held a slight edge in the

first half but lapsed into an even more carefree style after the interval.

It took a breakaway goal by Robbie Williams of Vic West to shock both teams into some action for the remaining 20 minutes of regular time.

And suddenly, as though they had been storing it up, there was action galore for those last 20 minutes and throughout the overtime. This

was what the crowd of about 300 had come to see.

Wests' goalkeeper Jim de Goede stopped a hard shot from close in by Tom Forrester but couldn't get to a low one by Don Attig six minutes before the end.

That forced two 15-minute overtime periods and the Wests, who finished only fourth in the league but won the Jackson Cup last week and reached the playoff final with

a win over UVic Vikings, had the most chances.

Despite the chances, though, Wests were held out by the fine defensive play of Ken Maughan and Bob Avender and it was still 1-1 after overtime.

De Goede stopped the first penalty shot by Ray Clarke and two other Nanaimo players missed the goal completely. Only Forrester scored.

Stu Taylor, Dave Grass and Barry Robbins all beat Nanaimo goalkeeper Al Demelt with their penalty kicks.

In other playoff finals Sunday, Prospect Lake blanked Gorge 1-0 at Topaz Park to take the first-division title and Labatts shocked second-division league champions Island Pacific Oil also 1-0 at Lambrick Park.

Forslund powers Vic West victory

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Boxing Club	4	4	0	0	16	2	8
UVic Vikings	4	3	0	1	12	2	7
Oak Bay	4	2	0	2	10	7	6
Nanaimo City	4	2	0	2	15	7	6
Vic West	5	2	3	0	14	9	4
Royals	4	1	2	1	10	14	3
Prospect Lake	4	1	2	1	9	17	3
Gorge F.C.	4	1	2	1	7	12	3
Powell River	4	0	2	2	6	11	2
Duncan	5	0	5	0	3	20	0

Steve Forslund had a field day Saturday in leading Victoria West to a Vancouver Island Soccer League victory at Royal Athletic Park.

Forslund, who played for Gorge-Molsons in the B.C. Soccer League last season, scored two goals and set up three others to lead his new teammates to a 6-2 win over Duncan Powell's Men's Wear in a premier division match played before 150 fans.

Gary McLaren also scored twice for Vic West while Dave Graas and Robbie Williams were the other marksmen.

Andy Smith and Phil Vye scored for last-place Duncan, which held Vic West to a 1-1 draw in the opening half but fell apart when Forslund and McLaren scored shortly after the interval.

Forslund Furthers Vic Wests' Victories

by Derek Elcoate.

Vic West vs. Cosmo Royals. Royal Athletic Park, Sat. April 10th.

A crowd of over 300 fans were on hand for this game. The weatherman cooperated with another warm, bright, sunny afternoon. A lot of interest had been created for this game, matching last year's runners up (In Vic West) and the team that had elimina-

ted the defending champions (In Cosmo Royals)

The game started with both teams sounding each other out - No one wanted to rush in and make any fatal errors in judgement. Spectator wise this made for a lacklustre type of play as passes were not crisp, sharp and decisive. At the 31 minute mark Cosmo keeper **Danny Wilmshurst** made a spectacular save on a high shot by **Steve Moss**, on what appeared to be a sure goal for the Wests. However, 2 minutes later Wests' striker, **Gary McLaren** crossed a pass to left winger **Steve Forslund** who beat **Wilmshurst** with a fine shot. At the 35 minute mark **Forslund** again found himself in the clear and once again beat **Wilmshurst**. The half ended with no further scoring as the second half started Cosmo's undaunted by being down by two goals took over dominance of the game - Just like the Wests had dominated the first half. However, unlike the first half the second half produced no scoring. Cosmo Royals had a sure goal cut off by back, **Marc Bolli** on a shot by **Russ Lamb**. This save was made right on the goal line with keeper **Jim DeGoede** pulled out of position. So, with this win, Cosmo Royals are eliminated and once more Vic West advance to the finals. They will be meeting the winner of the other semi-final, between U.Vic Vikings and Oak Bay.

Final Score Vic West 2; Cosmo Royals 0.

SHIRTS GET A LACING FROM ISLAND SELECTS

Vancouver Island threw its best at the cream of the soccer talent from the Fraser Valley Monday and the result was the most one-sided match seen this season at Royal Athletic Park.

A crowd of 350 fans turned out to watch the Vancouver Island Soccer League Selects, a squad made up of two players from each of the 10 clubs in the Premier Division, crush Bradner Red Shirts, Fraser Valley champions last year and leaders again this season, 6-0.

Play was fairly even in the first half with the Red Shirts trying hard but just failing in the finishing; and Robbie Williams of Vic West and Larry Louie of Powell River scoring to give the Island a 2-0 half-time lead.

Louie and Williams both scored again in the second half and other goals came from Mike Sails of the University of Victoria Vikings and Barry Hilton of Gorge Molson as the Island Selects took command.



One more score for Vic West. Vic West downed Prospect Lake 10 to 0, at Heywood park, Sunday.

Final Score Vic West 10 Prospect Lake 0. Scorers Robbie Williams 4, John McGuire 2, Steve Forslund 2, Steve Moss 1, Garry McLaren 1.

Vic West wins McGavin Cup

Victoria West captured the McGavin Cup with a rather fortunate goal two minutes from the end Tuesday night at Royal Athletic Park.

Greg Booth received credit for the goal in the 88th minute when defender Jim Marshall headed the ball into his own net, giving Vic West a 2-1 decision over University of Victoria Vikings in the final of the eight-team knockout event which feature the Victoria entries in the Premier Division of the Vancouver Island Soccer League.

Vikings dominated the opening 45 minutes with a strong

attack and Mark Robb put the UVic side ahead at the 16-minute mark.

But Vic West began evening up the play in the second half, narrowly escaping being two goals down when Peter Mason's blistering drive in the 60th minute was turned aside by goalkeeper Jim de Goede.

Robbie Williams scored the tying goal in the 69th minute and the match appeared headed into overtime when Booth, an outstanding high school player from Reynolds, was given credit for the goal because he was the closest Vic West player to Marshall when the UVic back tried to clear.

Victoria West reaps awards

Victoria West got the big share of the awards when the Vancouver Island Soccer League's annual presentations dinner was held on the weekend.

West's walked off with the Jackson Cup, the Referees Cup and the premier-division playoff trophy, and players from the club took the two big individual awards.

Inside-right Robbie Williams of Vic West was named the league's most valuable player and clubmate Jim de Goede was chosen top rookie of the year. A 19-year-old goalkeeper of great promise, de Goede also collected the award as most valuable player in the Jackson Cup final match.

The league's top scorer award went to Rudi Kuebler for the third year in a row and his Cosmopolitan Royals picked up the premier-division league trophy.

Prospect Lake swept both league and playoff trophies in the first division and the club's Ted King was named the division's most valuable player.

Island Pacific Oil took the second-division league trophy and Labatts collected the playoff award. And the league

decided to present two most valuable player awards, one going to Bob Cool of Island Pacific and the other to Dev Singh of Labatts.

Powell River, which will play next season in the premier division, dominated things in its first year in the third division, winning the league trophy and the new League Cup which is competed for by both second and third-division teams. George Orchinston of Powell River was the division's most valuable player. The only trophy to escape Powell River was for the third-division playoffs, won by Da Vinci of Victoria.

The award for the league's best goalkeeper was shared by Danny Wilmshurst of Cosmopolitan Royals and Alan Demelt of Nanaimo City and a new trophy for outstanding sportsmanship went to Da Vinci goalkeeper Luigi Lisi.

And the executive of the year award went to Art Shaw, who among other things is secretary for the Vancouver Island Soccer Commission and the Island's official registrar. Some 250 people attended the dinner.

Vic West romps to seventh win

There's no stopping Victoria West.

The national soccer champions breezed to their seventh straight win of the Vancouver Island Soccer League season Saturday, downing Cosmopolitan Royals 5-2 at Royal Athletic Park.

The victory moved Vic West four points up on Nanaimo City and Victoria Athletics, tied for second with 5-2 records and 10 points.

Robbie Williams started Victoria West to victory by scoring at six minutes and

again 27 minutes later. John McGuire added a third goal later in the half, offsetting a Cosmo goal by Bob Mackie.

Following the interval, Gary McLaren and Steve Moss made it 5-1 before Rudi Kuebler closed out the scoring for the Royals, tied for fifth in the 10-team premier division.

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Vic West	7	7	0	0	22	6	14
Nanaimo	7	5	2	0	12	8	10
Athletics	7	5	2	0	13	8	10
Gorge-Molsons	6	4	1	1	19	15	9
Vikings	5	2	2	1	11	9	5
Cosmo Royals	8	2	5	1	12	19	5
Gorge United	6	2	4	0	9	10	4
DaVinci	7	2	3	0	6	15	4
Oak Bay	7	1	5	1	10	21	3
Powell River	6	1	5	0	11	15	2

Greg Booth is getting downright monotonous.

The 17-year-old soccer star fired the winning goals in two key games within 24 hours this week giving big victories to two different teams.

He plays for a third as well but that squad, B.C.'s under-18 team, was not in action at all this week.

Booth got credit for the winning goal Tuesday night when Vic West slipped past U-Vic Vikings 2-1 to win the McGavin Cup.

Then he fired both goals the next afternoon to lead Reynolds Roadrunners to a 2-1 win over Spectrum in the early-season Showdown between the high school powerhouses.

Booth's goal that won the McGavin Cup was not the cleanest on record but it did put an end to the prospect that a fifth game in the seven-game series would go into overtime.

After a rousing end-to-end second half, Booth's goal came with two minutes left in the game when Viking defender Jim Marshall tried to head the ball away from the goalmouth.

In one of those erratic bounces it went in the net instead.

It was a come-from-behind win for the defending champions after Mark Robb gave the Vikings a 1-0 lead at 16 minutes of the first half during which U-Vic completely dominated the play.

Robb's goal came from a scramble after Vic West goaltender Jim De Goede fumbled the ball made slippery by thin covering of wet dew.

Vic West began to prevail in the second half and the game opened up into a crowd-pleaser that had some 300 fans on the edge of their seats.

At the nine-minute mark of the half De Goede made a diving save off the foot of Viking Pefer Mason who

got a break against the flow of the play.

Feelings ran high about the 20-minute mark when Vic West's Butch Foster had a tussle with Viking goaltender Steve Hambleton. When Scotty Taylor went to Hambleton's aid Barry Robbins ran in high and almost precipitated a full-scale battle.

Four minutes later Vic West managed to tie the score after Hambleton made two big saves off a corner kick before Robbie Williams put the ball in the net.

Then Hambleton made successive spectacular saves on Gary McLaren, Booth and McLaren again and the game appeared headed for overtime.

Four of the previous six went that route, one of those down to penalty kicks in which Vic West defeated Cosmo Royals.

At the other end, De Goede made another diving save off Brian Barraclough who was determined to put an end to it all. Four minutes later he missed again when a shot from six yards out went over the crossbar.

Then it was left for the defensive play of Marshall's to provide Vic West with the winning margin in what Viking coach Brian Hughes called a 'nightmare'.

At the tag end of last season Vic West beat the Vikings 1-0 in overtime in successive weeks to win the Jackson Cup and the Island League final.

"I had visions of it happening again," said Hughes.

"They must love to see us coming," he added.

Vic West coach, George Paul agreed, "We must be driving (Hughes) nuts."

West's capture Jackson Cup

Ex-Welsh international Brian Hughes shrugged and confessed sadly "It's been one of those seasons."

Hughes was watching his University of Victoria Vikings struggle against Victoria West Wednesday night in the Vancouver Island Soccer League's Jackson Cup final at Royal Athletic Park.

Despite all the early chances they had, the Vikings produced no goals and by half time Hughes knew they were in trouble.

He had seen it happen a week earlier when the clubs had battled through 90 scoreless minutes and the Wests had snatched a 1-0 win

on Robbie Williams' overtime goal in the League's premier-division playoffs.

Only about 200 fans turned out Wednesday night to watch the rematch, which developed into almost an exact repeat. Both teams had chances but the Vikings looked the faster and slicker side. Some lucky defensive clearances by the Wests and some fine saves by promising 19-year-old Jim DeGoede kept the university boys out.

And, after another 90 minutes of scoreless soccer, once again it was centre-forward Williams who stepped in to help produce the winner in overtime. With 13 minutes

of the first 15-minute overtime period gone, Williams sent across a beautiful corner kick and right-half Dave Graas headed in the winner.

Although the Vikings finished second and the Wests were fourth in the premier-division league race, if one takes history into account the Wests had to be the Jackson Cup pre-game favorites.

One of the oldest trophies still competed for in Canada, the Jackson Cup was first put up in 1918 and has been won 12 times by Vic West. The Wests have been in the finals for the last four years and were the champions in 1971 and last year. It was only the second time in a Jackson Cup final for the Vikings, who lost to the Wests in 1971.

After the Vikings seemed to burn themselves out with all that first-half hustle, Vic West, well-led by playing-coach George Paul, took over late in the second half and were unlucky not to have the winner without overtime when Ranjit Dillon slammed a hard shot past goalkeeper Steve Hambleton and the ball struck a post and came straight back to the 'keeper's arms.

Hughes and his Vikings have certainly had plenty of occasions this season to get used to the disappointment of losing narrowly. As well as being edged 1-0 in overtime twice in one week by the Wests, the Vikings shocked powerful University of British Columbia early this season in the Canada West University Athletic Association soccer tournament but then lost the championship on goal average to Alberta. And the Vikings were shaded by one point by Cosmopolitan Royals for the Island League title.

For the Wests, there is the chance of a "double" as they now play Nanaimo City at 2:15 p.m. Sunday at Athletic Park in the premier-division playoff final. Third-place Nanaimo shocked the league-champion Royals 2-1 in last weekend's other semi-final.

VIC WEST: Jim DeGoede, Ranjit Dillon, Ian Hood, Dave Graas, Butch Foster, Glen Robinson, Stu Taylor, Greg Mellish, Rob Williams, George Paul, Ralph Anderson. Subs — Mike McManus, Bob Lewis.

VIKINGS: Steve Hambleton, Scott Taylor, John Gage, Darryl Hooker, Jim Marshall, Alex Nelson, Vic Escude, Tim Page, Ross Woodland, Peter Mason, Mike Sails. Subs — Murray Mitchell, Chuck Dilba.

Referee: Eric Remes.

The Victoria Wests Premier Soccer team jumped over Vic Athletic Assoc. and into first place by knocking the A's 3-0 in Saturday's match at Athletic Park.

The game, played before about 600 fans, featured tight defence in the first half.

John Nash had the best chances for the A's as they appeared to have an early territorial advantage. One of his shots grazed the post and a second play was foiled when the Wests defence cleared off the line after Nash made a fine play and sent a beautiful pass across the goalmouth. Steve Forslund had the Wests' best opportunity as he and Bob Duncan combined. After 33 min. of tight checking the Wests got a break when Mike Sails was fouled as he cut in from the right wing. Referee Tommy Smart awarded a penalty and Sails made no mistake as he beat Grant Darley with a hard shot.

The half ended with the Wests ahead 1-0.

The second half began with some wide open play as both teams wanted a goal. Ron Thompson's hard shot went off the crossbar and deGoede foiled George Pakos from close in.

Robbie Williams got the West's second goal. Bob Duncan crossed the ball, Forslund fired, Darley made the save but Williams nipped in to fire home the rebound.

The Athletics continued to press their attack as they attempted to get back into the match. Both teams made player changes as the hard tackling and fast pace began to tell. It payed off for the Wests as substitute Gary McLaren collected a pass on his own side of centre. With the A's defencing caught up-field he raced half the length of the field and slipped the ball under a charging goaltender with 3 min. remaining in the match.

The game was Bob Bolitho's final game in the V.I. Soccer League as he signed a professional contract with the Vancouver Whitecaps of the N.A.S.L. His fine play and good sportsmanship will be missed by the league and all those involved wish him the best of luck in his new venture.

Four tied for fourth

Vic West pulled into a four-way tie for fourth spot in Premier Division Soccer Sunday with a 10-0 rout of Prospect Lake in Heywood Park.

By half time, Vic West had rolled up a 5-0 lead and added five more goals in the final half for the one-sided score. Robbie Williams collected four goals in the game with team-mates John McGuire and Steve Forslund each scoring a pair. Steve Moss and Gary McLaren also added singles.

Vic West goalie Jim DeGoede collected the shut-out while Prospect Lake goaltender Ray King had to bear full brunt of the Vic West attack.

In other Sunday action, Nanaimo City failed to gain on second place UVic when the two teams fought to a 3-3 tie in Nanaimo. The score was 1-1 at the half on goals by UVic's Mark Robb and Nanaimo's Tony Mayor and three minutes into the second half Vic Escude scored to put UVic ahead.

Nanaimo fought back and at the 27 minute mark Ike McKay tied it up and 14 minutes later Ray Clarke put Nanaimo ahead. But with just three minutes left in the game UVic's Rob Ancrum tied it up to give his team a point and keep them just one point behind league leading London Boxing Club.

The Boxers were not in action Sunday. Their scheduled game with Duncan was called off due

to the unplayable field conditions in Duncan.

In Topaz Park Gorge Molsons shut-out Powell River 1-0 on a goal by Rick Lamoureux at the four minute mark of the opening period. Gorge Goalie Graham Lee picked up his first shut-out of the season as his team played the last 15 minutes of the game with just 10 men due to a penalty call.

STANDINGS

	P	W	L	T	Pts	F	A
LBC	9	7	0	2	16	24	6
UVic	9	6	0	3	15	27	10
Nanaimo	10	4	2	4	12	29	16
Vic West	10	5	5	0	10	36	19
Cosmos	10	4	4	2	10	28	23
Powell R.	10	4	4	2	10	33	24
Oak Bay	10	3	3	4	10	18	20
Gorge	10	3	5	2	8	17	25
Prospect L	10	1	7	2	4	13	51
Duncan	8	0	7	1	10	41	1

In Saturday action at Heywood Park, Oak Bay edged Cosmo Royals 2-1. Oak Bay led at the half 1-0 on a goal by Steve Bowers at the 15 minute mark and went up to 2-0 mid-way through the second when Brett Large took a through pass from Bobby Duncan to score.

With six minutes left in the game, Danny Henry scored for Cosmo Royals but Oak Bay goalie Jack Kuyvenhoven stopped all shots to give his club their victory. Kuyvenhoven was outstanding throughout the game robbing Joe Poulton of two sure goals and Henry of another.



Vic. West's Rob Williams (left), Bob Duncan and Steve Forslund (behind) rejoice when scoring the clinching goal. Dan Hood, Steve Carroll, and Ashly Douglass stand hoping for an offside call. Howie Anderson and goalie Grant Darley bite the dust attempting to stop the West drive.



Steve Forslund of Victoria West with a well placed pass from Robbie Williams, just touches the ball past U.Vic Vikings' goalie, Mike Armstrong, in Premier Soccer League play, Saturday, Sept. 27 at Royal Athletic Park.



Double Team Offense? Vic West had to come from behind, and the extra hustle needed made the field small. Rob Williams and Greg Booth team up to get possession.

Semi-finalists set in McGavin soccer

University of Victoria Vikings, Gorge and Vic West earned the three remaining berths in the semi-finals of the McGavin Cup soccer series, with first-round victories Sunday.

Vikings scored twice in overtime to down Prospect Lake, 2-0 at Topaz Lake; Rob-

bie Williams scored at the 43-minute mark of the first half to give Vic West a 1-0 win over London Boxing Club at Heywood Park, and Gorge downed Duncan Village Green, 5-1, at Topaz.

Cosmopolitan Royals captured the other semi-final berth with a 4-2 win over Oak Bay on Saturday.

Peter Mason, on a penalty kick, and Joe Ucran scored the UVic goals, while Barry Hilton with two, Dennis McGreen, Brent Russell and

Danny Green scored for Gorge. Tom Watson got the only Duncan goal.

Vikings will meet Gorge in the first semi-final match at 7:30 tonight at Royal Athletic Park. Royals will face Vic West, Sept. 17, and the final is set for Sept. 24.

Results of season-opening matches in second and third divisions:

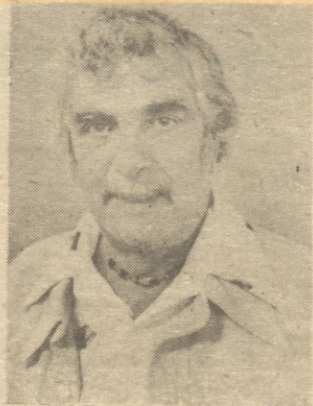


John Irutagoyena, goalie for Oak Bay receiving heavy pressure from the Victoria Wests' Rob Williams, and flying John McGuire.



3rd, and Rob Williams of Vic West slides to knock it in, but his foot is caught on the post, and the ball slips to the touch side of the post.

Climatic Finish Sends Vic West To Semi Finals



by Derek Elcoate.

Vic West vs. Oak Bay, Royal Athletic Park, Sat. May 1st.

In spite of the beautiful warm sunny afternoon, the crowd of fans was smaller than for last weekend's Jackson Cup Final. Unfortunately as the weather gets better for sitting in the stands to watch a game - fans are able to catch up on their gardening chores or start thinking about vacation plans.

Oak Bay showed much more speed and determination to win this weekend, than they had shown in last weekend's Jackson Cup final. They were taking command of the game and leaving the Vic West squad hard pressed to get organized. Their efforts paid off at the 25 minute mark when left winger, **Bob Duncan**, headed the ball to centre forward, **John Hughes**, who cleanly beat West's Keeper, **Jim deGoede** for the first goal of the game.

At the 36 minute mark the Wests got that one back, when after a series of short passing plays inside right **Gary McLaren** beat Keeper, **John Irutagoyena** to even up the score.

An unfortunate goal occurred at the 39 minute mark for Vic. West in trying to clear a goalmouth scramble, a defender put the ball in his own net. Although both sides tried till the whistle for the half sounded, there was no further scoring.

The West's settled down more in the second half, and their efforts were rewarded in the form of the tying goal at the 57 minute mark. Centre forward, **Rob Williams** broke the defence to score the equalizer.

Both teams then settled down to play steady heads up soccer, waiting for that one opportunity to break the deadlock. However, at the end of regulation time they were both tied, so under cup rules two fifteen minute halves of overtime play were required.

The first half of overtime proved scoreless.

After a 5 minute rest, the teams changed ends for the last overtime half. At the 11 minute mark of this overtime period keeper **Irutagoyena** must be credited with keeping Oak Bay's hopes
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alive as he saved a point blank, hard drive by **McLaren**.

This overtime period also ended with the two teams deadlocked so now the 5 penalty shots to each team was brought into play. This was the moment of truth, sudden death, as usually happens - the jitters set in. Players who all season can get away a shot to score with the defence all around them, suddenly freeze up when it is only them and the keeper.

Vic West had the first penalty shot. **Greg Booth's** shot was saved by Keeper, **Irutagoyena**. Oak Bay's first shot was by **Jos de Bruin** who scored. **Steve Moss** took the West's second shot and scored. **John Hughes** took Oak Bay's second shot and hit the crossbar. **Butch Foster** took Vic West's third shot and scored. **Murray Mitchell** took Oak Bay's third shot and missed. **Steve Forslund** took the West's fourth shot and missed. **Steve Bowers** took the Bay's fourth shot and hit the crossbar. **Gary McLaren** took the West's final shot and scored.

What a climatic finish, ninety minutes of regulation play, thirty minutes of overtime, and nine penalty shots. So Vic. West advances to the Semi-Finals on the Mainland next weekend, against either White Rock United or Willow Inn Kickers.

Final Score: Vic West 5; Oak Bay 3.

Scorers: Vic West: **Gary McLaren 2, Rob Williams, Steve Moss, Butch Foster**. Oak Bay: **John Hughes, Jos de Bruin** (Vic West's own goal).

Just more overtime

The goalposts became a deciding factor in the outcome of the 'Overtime Series' that is the McGavin Cup soccer competition in the Vancouver Island Soccer League's Premier Division. Cosmo Royals found the goalposts gave Vic West a bit of an advantage in pulling out a 5-3 win on penalty kicks in the McGavin Cup semi-final Tuesday night. Twice the Royals hit goalposts in the penalty kick situation and that was the margin of victory.

It was the fourth of the six games in the competition that have gone into overtime but it was the first that went down to penalty kicks.

Vic West drew first blood eight minutes into the game when **Robbie Williams** converted a sharp crossing pass from **Dave Graas**.

The Royals' **Russ Lamb** tied the game 12 minutes later on a pass from **Peter Wheaton** and the game settled into a goaltender's battle.

The play that could have ended the whole question occurred eight minutes into the second half when the Royal's **Arthur Smith** scored but the goal was called back for an off-side infraction.

After two 15-minute overtime sessions and two hours of soccer the designated kickers of the Royals were proven just tired enough to miss the key shots.

Greg Booth scored the first penalty kick for Vic West but **Russ Ball** tied it for the Royals and **Graas** scored to give Vic West a 3-2 lead.

Then, with Vic West goaltender **Jim De Goede** beaten, **Peter Brett's** shot hit the goalpost. That was neutralized when Vic West's **Barry Robbins** shot wide and Royals tied it on **Gil McIlraith's** goal.

Then **Joe Milligan** hit the goalpost to put the Royals behind when **Ralph Anderson** scored. **Gary McLaren** put the game on ice with the final penalty kick.

Vic West will now meet UVic Vikings in the McGavin Cup final Tuesday night at Royal Athletic Park.

by Derek Elcoate

Van. Island Soccer
Vic West vs Gorge Molson
Royal Athletic Park 2:15
Saturday 31 Jan.

Conditions field and weather-wise for this game were the best they had been in months. Bright sunshine and a pitch that was dry. Even though this game was played on the far side, the near side looked as though it would be playable in the near future. With only three points separating the first and fourth place teams, any

game involving any of the first four teams becomes a key game, with a win today the Wests could take over first spot, even though it could only stand for 24 hours, that's the stage this division has reached as the season progresses.

Both teams started play in the first half checking each other's defences. Passing plays by both sides were sharp, and the back-field fours were called on to display their talents. With half and first half gone the scoreboard was still blank and it looked as though the first half could end this way. The type of play indicated that one big goal could be the difference between the winning and losing team. The break came at the 39 minute mark when right winger **Steve Forslund** crossed to striker **Rob Williams** who beat Molson keeper **Graham Lee**. Continuing the same tight type of play the half ended with no further scoring. The second half continued with the same type of soccer as the first half had produced and that one big goal was starting to loom as a winner. However, at the 63 minute mark all that was changed in handling a high lobbed ball in the Goal mough area West's keeper **Jim DeGoede** let it get away from him and opportunist striker **George Hyne** scored the equalizer. While both sides made every effort for the go ahead goal game ended in a 1-1 tie. This score was an indication of the play of the game and was a fair one.

After last night's heavy rain it was fortunate that the forecast rain for today held off for the game. However, the pitch was pretty greasy in spots, ruining some fine plays, as both sides at times were having trouble keeping their footing.

The game started off with both teams making striking thrusts, but both defences proving to be adequate to the task.

At the 13 minute mark on a nice passing play, striker, **Gary McLaren** put co-striker, **Robbie Williams** in the clear to beat keeper, **Gordie Reading**. So the Wests were first on the scoreboard.

With the Wests trying to protect their lead and Boxers trying for the equalizer, the play was going from end to end. At the 37 minute mark with keeper, **Jim deGoede** beaten, backs **Butch Foster** and **Mike Hardy** stood shoulder to shoulder and cleared the equalizer. Five minutes later it was **Waining Lee** who was the man on the spot clearing from the goalie, to keep the West's ahead. The half ended with the Wests still retaining the lead.

Four minutes into the second half striker, **George Pakos** put

the ball through to link, **Brian Robinson** about two yards out and **Robinson** flicked it over the head of keeper, **deGoede**, to tie up the game.

At the 70 minute mark striker, **Garnett Moen** raced for a ball against keeper, **deGoede**, the keeper got the ball first and when **Moen's** kick hit the ball **deGoede's** leg took most of the shock. After attention from the trainer on the field **deGoede** was able to continue.

At the 79 minute mark, back, **Ash Douglas** headed a shot clear, after goalie **Reading** was caught thus foiling the Wests go ahead play.

With less than five minutes to play Wests' **Williams** was in the clear close in but the ball struck the upright, then **Williams** who was straddling the post lost it out of touch. It was a cliff hanger, to the final whistle with no further scoring.

Setting the scene for the rest of the season really, it was a first for both clubs. The first of three starts for **deGoede** that didn't end in a "shut-out" and the first time Boxers hadn't emerged winners. Both teams had lost regular starters to the Pan Am Trials - The Wests' link **John McGuire** and the Boxers' link, **Bob Bolitho**.

Final Score: Vic West 1; London

Vic West, Bays clash Saturday

Quarter-final play in the Province Cup soccer competition begins this weekend.

Vic West and Oak Bay clash in Royal Athletic Park Saturday at 2:15 p.m. and on the Mainland, Burnaby Cliff Avenue meets Pegasus at Swanguard Stadium.

In Saturday's encounter between the two Island teams at Athletic Park, Vic West may have the edge if play over the season is an indication.

The Wests play the fast-short-passing game and have several players who are dangerous up front.

One is inside right John McGuire. His outstanding play in the Jackson Cup final earned him the MVP award.

Another forward the Bays must contend with is Steve Forslund. He can get that ball in from the wing with authority. One of his targets, of course, will be forward centre Rob Williams, last year's scoring leader.

Rounding out that potent Vic West forward line are two high schoolers, Greg Booth and Steve Moss.

Offensively, the Oak Bay side have some people who might just be the key to their success. Men like Josde Bruin. He's always around the ball in the middle and is capable of breaking in the clear.

Brett Large is another player Vic West will have to contend with, and so is the always-dangerous Bob Duncan.

Both sides are good defensively. Darryl Hooker is a tough guy to get around for the Wests, and Jersey Hrasky is a steady performer on the Oak Bay backfield.

Hrasky is doubly-dangerous. He was converted to defence from the forward line this season and might make his presence known if Oak Bay happens to get the play into the Vic West zone.

Vic West edges Pauls ¹⁹⁷⁶ to keep cup on Island

It's been a long time returning but it appears the Vancouver Island Soccer League is regaining the position it once held in provincial senior ranks.

A dominant force in the 1920s and early 1930s when teams from Ladysmith, Cumberland and Nanaimo almost took turns winning the Province Cup, it was about 40 years before the trophy returned to the Island.

That came about last year when Victoria London Boxing Club won the provincial, Western Canada and national titles.

And this year, Victoria West has taken the first step to the Canadian championship.

Meeting a much more experienced opponent, Vic West won its first-ever Province Cup Sunday by downing Van-

couver-Italia-Canadian Pauls, 1-0, at Royal Athletic Park.

With the victory, Vic West also earned the right to play host to the Western Canada championships, a four-province tournament to be held Aug. 14-15. The winner of the Western Canada tournament will meet an Eastern representative in the national final later in the year.

Striker Gary McLaren scored the only goal of Sunday's wind-hampered match, booming a close-in shot past goalkeeper Peter Greco with about 10 minutes to play.

Winger Greg Booth centred the ball into the Vancouver goalmouth and after a defender failed to clear, McLaren had little difficulty putting it behind Greco.

Pauls, with several national team players and two former

Vancouver Whitecaps in Greco and winger Sergio Zanatta, had an edge in play throughout the game but were inclined to dribble the ball rather than test goalkeeper Jim de Goede.

The Vancouver champions, who had an unbeaten string of 28 games snapped, had a great chance to tie the score in injury time when de Goede misplayed the ball in the penalty area.

The controversial Zanatta, object of many jeers from the crowd of 730 for his aggressive tackling, got a boot on the ball but his shot went past the right goalpost. The match ended seconds later.

Defender Mike Hardy and teammates Greg Mellish and Butch Foster, who left midway through the second half with a bleeding nose, kept the Vancouver forwards in check

and Hardy was particularly effective in holding Zanatta, still a dangerous goalscorer, under control.

In the provincial under-18 final held prior to the Province Cup match, Vancouver Selects scored a 6-3 win over the Lower Island Selects.

Rich Beerens scored three goals for Vancouver and Steve Watts, John Kyle and Pierre Welbedagt had the others. Keith Thompson scored all the Lower Island goals.

PAULS — Peter Greco, Fil Rigazzi, Doug Wilson, Colin Atkinson, Gino Vazzoler, Bill Young, Mike McLeod, Sergio Zanatta, Franco Castellano, Robin Elliott, Jan Prochal. Substitutes: Hank Poelvoorde, Toni Newman, Vanni Lenarduzzi, Joe Kovar.

WESTS — Jim de Goede, Mike Hardy, Greg Mellish, Butch Foster, Darryl Hooker, Steve Moss, Steve Forslund, Gary McLaren, Rob Williams, John McGuire, Greg Booth. Substitutes: Marc Bolli, Ralph Anderson, Eric Jones.

Referee — Denny Girvin, Victoria.

Superb Opening Half Sends Wests to 'Peq

For 13th time

Vic West wins Jackson Cup

Thirteen wasn't an unlucky number for Victoria West on Saturday at Royal Athletic Park.

Vic West scored a goal in each half to down Oak Bay 2-0 and win the Vancouver Island Soccer League's Jackson Cup competition for the 13th time in the trophy's 51-year history.

Second in the premier division of the VISL this season, Vic West jumped to the lead when Greg Booth converted a John McGuire pass at six minutes and Gary McLaren scored the insurance goal 17 minutes after the interval.

Booth had a great chance for a second goal foiled when Oak Bay netminder John Iruretagoyena made a fine stop early in the second half.

It was the second Cup win in three years for the Vic West squad, which lost to

London Boxing Club in 1975.

Major-general George Parkes, a former B.C. lieutenant-governor, presented the Cup and medals and McGuire was selected as the match's most valuable player.

The finalists will meet again next Saturday at Royal Athletic Park in the first round of the Province Cup competition, which leads to the national championship.

Eight teams — four from Vancouver, two from the Island and one each from the Fraser Valley and Okanagan — are entered in the single-knockout event and should an Island team reach the final, the championship game will be played here on Sunday, May 23.

In other action, Cosmopolitan Royals of Victoria will visit Powell River Villas today for the premier division playoff final.

Victoria West survived a second-half surge by Regina Concordia to win the Western Canada soccer championship 3-2 Saturday before approximately 600 fans at Royal Athletic Park.

Wests, who clearly dominated play in the first half, seemed content to protect their 3-1 half-time lead and didn't control much of the action following the intermission.

The club, which plays in the premier division of the Vancouver Island Soccer League, now advances to the Canadian championship tournament, starting Aug. 28 in Winnipeg. London Boxing Club of Victoria captured the title last year.

Just about to start a new season, Wests played superb soccer for the first 45 minutes, scoring two picture-book goals and connecting again on an error before the break.

Victoria took the lead in the first two minutes after Steve Forsland received a perfect cross from Grant McLaren. Forsland then headed the ball to Rob Williams, who made no mistake in booting it into the wide-open half of the net.

Regina bounced back to tie the count less than a minute later with a down-the-middle pass, which put speedy linkman Ken Fissel through ahead of a pair of defencemen with the Victoria goalie caught out of position.

Then McLaren connected for two goals to send the Wests to Winnipeg.

Williams and Greg Mellish set up McLaren for his first tally at about the 38-minute mark. The second, which proved to be the winner, came about two minutes later when Butch Foster passed to McLaren, who found himself alone in front of goaltender Gus Kunke.

The Vic West margin at the

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Team rosters:

REGINA CONCORDIA — Gus Kunke, Gene Seckler, Dave Fong, Karl Kauck, Larry Blazeiko, Brian Blazeiko, Ken Fissel, Bill Brown, Paul Edmondson, Ed Barrett, Don McCaw. Reserves: Erwin Schmidt, Adolf Zerr, Rod Kellin, Adolf Trewegar, Mike Warmerdam.

VICTORIA WEST — Jim de Goede, Mike Hardy, Greg Mellish, Butch Foster, Darryl Hooker, John McGuire, Ralph Anderson, Steve Forsland, Rob Williams, Gary McLaren, Greg Booth. Receivers: Mark Bolli, Eric Jones, Steve Moss, Gord Reading.

break could have been greater. Darryl Hooker hit the cross-bar with a header late in the half and John McGuire had a goal disallowed on an offside call.

After the intermission, Concordia seemed to dominate play and narrowly missed scoring opportunities several times in the first 10 minutes before connecting at 20 minutes, when winger Don McCaw scored on a pass from Brian Blazeiko.

Wests then rallied for a few minutes, but the threat of overtime loomed again in the late minutes as the Regina club pressed hard for the equalizer. Only a lack of finish prevented a tying goal.

Wests, who were playing only their third match since winning the provincial title in May, lost the services of Forsland 12 minutes into the second half. He was carried off the field with an ankle in-

jury that appeared serious at the time, but was later diagnosed as a severe bruise.

It is probably that the starry winger will be back in action in time for the national tournament, where Wests hope to add further lustre to their 80th anniversary celebration.

McLaren hero for Victoria West

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Canadian title escapes Fort Rouge

By GEORGE KICK

Fort Rouge of Manitoba let the Canadian Soccer Association's Challenge Cup slip from its grasp Sunday and nestle in the arms of B.C.'s Victoria West.

Victoria West came from behind twice to deal a crumbling Fort Rouge squad a 3-2 defeat at Winnipeg's Alexander Park to win the national senior soccer championship.

Gary McLaren scored all three goals for Victoria while Jerry Hildebrand and Hans Breuer tallied single goals for Fort Rouge.

Fort Rouge appeared to have things under control in the first half, controlling mid-field play and building up leads of 1-0 and 2-1 by the end of the first 45 minutes.

Hildebrand took Gary Batchelor's deflection and spilled the ball past goalie Jacob DeGoede to give Fort Rouge a 1-0 lead in the 37th minute.

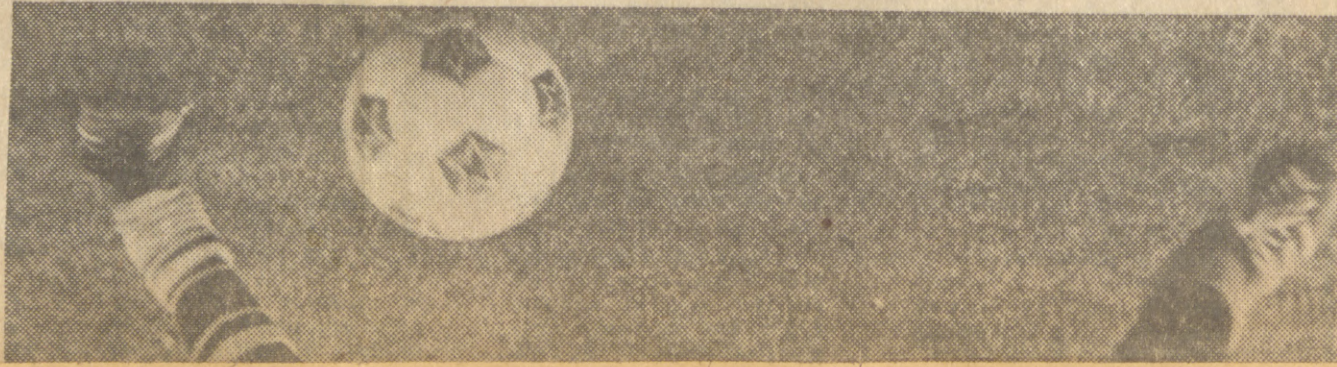
McLaren tied the game in the 41st minute on an unusual play. He crossed from the left wing position but Fort Rouge's Jim Beveridge inadvertently headed the ball into his own net behind a

Women's events saw Rox-Kildonan third. South was second and East in 3:38.9 while Winnipeg won the men's medley relay Eastman third. St. James second and Eric Rawlings of Ken Krahn of Niverville was nipeg South in a time of 15.5. won by Scott Garrod of Win-The 110-metre hurdles was third. Brent Slacey of Winnipeg North and Sylvester Sodja of



Photo by Paul Belaska

mob of players and I just came back to me through the lowing the game. "It just Luke," admitted Clark following that goal was just a victory. "That goal was just a high over the goalie's head into the net for the Westman game Dale Clark booted one about 10 minutes left in the drat tied it up and with of the second half. Greg Kin-his team's only goal. At 9:30 and split the defence to score on a goal by James Friesen.



McLaren is star of soccer show

By Don Bain
For The Tribune

Gary McLaren had himself quite a Sunday at Alexander Park, and if Winnipeg's Fort Rouge Soccer Club ever sees him again, it'll be too soon.

McLaren's heroics paced the Victoria West Club from British Columbia to the Canadian Soccer Association Challenge Trophy, emblematic of senior amateur supremacy in Canada.

The burly Victoria striker scored all three goals in a 3-2 triumph over Fort Rouge, in what was the most exciting match of the three-day event.

The B.C. side looked a bit sluggish at the start, probably a direct result of its hard-fought battle the day before with Newfoundland. However, the westerners took command of the game midway through the second half, and took the play away from the usually aggressive Forts.

The Winnipeg club has built up somewhat of a reputation for its strong mid-field play, but it was Victoria which controlled that area and this eventually proved to be Fort Rouge's downfall.

The match was 37 minutes old before Jerry Hildebrand opened the scoring for Fort Rouge when he picked up a perfect deflection from Gary Batchelor in front of Jake DeGoede in the B.C. goal. As DeGoede moved out to challenge Batchelor, the crafty Fort Rouge mid-fielder nipped the ball over to the unguarded Hildebrand for the score.

McLaren came right back for Victoria with the first of his three, four minutes later, although it probably was not one of his finer efforts. He attempted to send a crossing ball through the

Fort Rouge crease, but Forts' Jim Beveridge was there. Unfortunately for Beveridge and Fort Rouge, the ball ricocheted off him into the net past a very startled Larry Vouriot.

Fort Rouge was not rattled by the fluke goal, and came right back to the attack to regain the lead two minutes later. Hans Breuer scored perhaps the prettiest goal of the entire championship, when he used some fancy footwork and excellent ball control to elude three defenders inside the B.C. 18, and score from close in.

The second half belonged entirely to Victoria and it was only a matter of time until the equalizer came. Steve Forsland rifled a wicked shot at Vouriot from 20 yards, and the Fort Rouge keeper did well to block it. He just couldn't corral the rebound and the ever-present McLaren was there to bang it home.

Fort Rouge nearly came back minutes later, but a Gary Aubert shot struck the crossbar from close range.

That was really the only time Fort Rouge threatened in the second stanza, as Victoria pressed continually, applying enormous pressure on Vouriot and his defence.

A wild scramble for a loose ball in the Fort Rouge goalmouth finished the Winnipeg club. McLaren and Bob Williams were duelling with several Fort Rouge defenders when Vouriot moved out in an attempt to grab the elusive ball. Just as it appeared he would come up with it, the ball squirted free and McLaren was there again to chip home the winner.

Victoria was actually a bit lucky to even be in the championship game, after a fierce struggle with St. Lawrence Laurentians on Saturday. The

game went into two overtime periods and, with the score still knotted at 1-1, penalty kicks were taken to decide the winner. Nine kicks later, B.C. was the victor, 6-5.

Scoring in the overtime period for Newfoundland was Clem Edwards, on a penalty, but John McGuire evened matters three minutes till time.

Sunday's third-place match between Newfoundland and Halifax Olands ended in a 1-1 draw. Both goals came in the first half, with Halifax' Phil Boyle opening the scoring in the 14th minute. Greg Quirke got that back a minute later on a fine individual effort inside the Halifax 18.

Neither side could muster much of an offence, but there were several good chances for both teams near the end.

CORNER KICKS: The Canadian Soccer Association Challenge Trophy was presented to B.C. captain Bill Foster by Bill Sterling, President of the CSA and Eric King, executive director . . . Tournament director John Stornel presented Fort Rouge's Gary Batchelor with the tournament's most-valuable-player award . . . Newfoundland goalkeeper, Al Slaney was carried from the field Sunday with a suspected separated shoulder . . . Jim Loder, normally a mid-field player replaced Slaney and was superb in preserving the tie for the Laurentians . . . Aubert showed no ill-effects from an auto accident Friday, that saw his car totally demolished . . . MSA vice-president John Straker was somewhat disappointed at the crowd count on both Friday and Saturday, but he was all smiles Sunday, as nearly 3,000 spectators turned out to watch the action.

Vic West Capture Western Canadian Soccer Title

by Derek Elcoate.

Regina Concordia (Saskatchewan) vs. Victoria West F.C. (British Columbia) played at Royal Athletic Park, Saturday August 14th. 2:00 p.m.

After Friday's spell of heavy rain and fog, the weatherman came through with a day that was much more favourable for the game. Broken cloud cover, blue sky and some sunshine. 600 plus fans were in the stands to view this first ever Western Canadian Championship to be played in Victoria.

Concordia were celebrating their 25th anniversary as a club. The West's were celebrating their 80th anniversary (making them the oldest soccer club in Canada). The thought of repeat-

ing what another Victoria Club (London Boxing) had accomplished last year, would put the frosting on the cake, for the celebrations.

The scoring opened up. Before some of the fans had a chance to get settled in their seats. At the 2 minute mark, with a sparkling display of teamwork, a play going from striker, **Gary McLaren** to right winger, **Steve Forslund** to striker **Rob Williams** saw the West's first on the scoreboard.

Not to be outdone, Concordia scored the equalizer 1 minute later. Left winger, **Don McCaw** fired a long ball over the West's defenders and speedy link, **Ken Fissel** slipped it round keeper **Jim deGoede** who had come out to cut off the play.

around the defender and shot from about 12 yards out. This goal rounded out the scoring for the first half of play. Not only for being ahead on goals, Vic. West definitely had the bulk of the play.

At the 57 minute mark the West's lost the services of **Forslund** who was carried off the field after colliding with a Concordia defender. It looked like a broken ankle at first but fortunately it turned out to be a bone bruise or a pinched nerve in the foot. (After the game **Forslund** was walking much easier). At the 70 minute mark, Concordia got back in the game as **McCaw** fired home a shot that had deflected off a West's defen-

der. For the remainder of the game both teams had the fans up out of their seats on occasions but no further scoring took place in the game. So, Vic. West advances to the four team Canadian Finals to be played in Winnipeg starting Aug. 27th.

In pre-game preliminaries **Dave Fryatt** (Chairman of the B.C. Soccer Association) did the "kick off" ceremony. He was accompanied by **Bill Stirling**, 9th President of the Canadian Soccer Association).

So, for the second season in a row a Vancouver Island Soccer League team is at the Canadian Finals. Congratulations fellows let's keep the hardware on the Island.

West's appeared to score the go ahead goal at the 15 minute mark when Link, **John McGuire** beat keeper, **Gus Kunke** on a rebound off the cross bar from a corner kick taken by **Forslund**. However, the referee disallowed the goal on an off side infraction. Not to be denied the West's did score their second tally at the 35 minute mark. **McLaren** scored a beautiful header to finish off a pattern which went **Williams** to left winger, **Greg Booth** to **McLaren**. Playing the roll of the opportunist, **McLaren** scored his second goal of the game 3 minutes later. On a ball fired into Concordia's penalty area which gave center back, **Karl Kauch** some trouble, as the ball broke free, **McLaren** went

West's Canadian champs!

Vic West have proven worthy successors to the London Boxing Club dynasty.

The Wests, who started by knocking off the Boxers in Cup play in Victoria and B.C. competition, succeeded them as Canadian National champions Sunday.

West's defeated Fort Rouge of Manitoba 3-2 when **Gary McLaren** connected with less than three minutes left in the game in the Canadian soccer final in Winnipeg.

It was the second goal of the second half for **McLaren** after **Rob Williams** scored the lone Vic West goal in the first half.

West's had advanced to the final after defeating St. Lawrence Laurentians of Newfoundland by one penalty kick after the team battled through a scoreless regulation time and finished 1-1 after a 30-minute overtime.

John McGuire scored the overtime goal to pull West's into the draw and then added another goal among the penalty kicks. Other penalty kicks were scored by **Ralph Anderson**, **Eric Jones**, **Greg Booth** and **Steve Moss**.



Vic West Senior Soccer Club huddle to Congratulate #10, Gary McLaren, he scored the winning goal for Vic West. Daryl Hooker, feels the "game's in the bag" and up goes the "No. 1 sign."



Rob Williams (in white), for Victoria West plays on the goal line while Steve Forslund centers the ball on a corner kick. Goalie, Gus Kunke of Regina manages to clear the ball with his finger tips.

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Victoria and St. Lawrence played to a scoreless tie in regulation time and Clem Edwards counted for the Newfoundland club at the two-minute mark of the first overtime period.

McGuire came through to tie it up again eight minutes into the second overtime session.

To break the stalemate, penalty kicks were used to determine the winner. Each team scored three times in

the first set of five attempts, sending the penalty-kicking into a sudden-death situation in which each team takes alternating kicks until one misses.

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Canadian champions

National senior soccer champions for 1976, Victoria West of Vancouver Island Soccer League's Premier Division, are pictured Tuesday, 48 hours after winning Challenge Cup final in Winnipeg. The Island and B.C. champions edged Fort Rouge of Winnipeg 3-2 in final of four-team tournament. Team members are; front left, Wilf Sadler, past president, Brian Williams, manager, Steve Forslund, Mark Bolli, Jim de Goede, Greg Booth, Greg

— Colonist photo by Ian McKain
Mellish and Alex Stewart, manager; middle left, John McGuire, Sr., director; Doug Hill, coach, Eric Jones, Robbie Williams, Darryl Hooker, Gary McLaren, Ralph Anderson and Gord Reading; back left, Lew Williams, trainer, John McGuire, Mike Hardy, Butch Foster, captain, Tom Collett, president and Tony Grover, secretary. Missing are director Henry Paul and Steve Moss.

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Reno Loses . . . But Surprises

By STEVE SNEDDON
Sports Editor

It wasn't a classic showdown. It had all the makings of a gigantic mismatch, but for 50 minutes it wasn't.

One team might soon be playing for a national championship while the other finished sixth in the second division of the Central California Soccer League.

Whatever the reason, it was a game at half with the score tied 1-1.

It was a game mainly because of the heroics of a 22-year-old waiter from Aguacalientes, Mex., Raul Mandriguez, who turned back eight shots in the first half. The barrage was intensified in the second half and even Mandriguez couldn't pull enough magic to stop it.

The Reno Soccer Club lost to Victoria West of Victoria, B.C., 8-1, Saturday afternoon at Paradise Park, but the Reno players surprised themselves and the 150 fans who watched.

"I think we surprised them," Reno manager-player Paul Sheridan said, "We gave them a better game than they expected.

I'm sure of that because we played better than I expected."

Reno was only scheduled to play Victoria West's second division team, but became the premier division club's opponent after the Sacramento Spirits of the American Soccer League canceled a game with the Canadians.

Sheridan is sure the game against the team that finished with a 13-2-3 record in the Vancouver Island League will help give the Reno club identity.

"A woman asked me, 'Where is this team from?' I said Reno. She said, 'I'm from Reno and I haven't heard of the team.' I said the team is new. We've only been here five years."

Reno managed a few shots on goal with its only offense coming in the 31st minute when Salvador Alcaraz, a Truckee High School student, scored on a 20-footer.

The Canadian players had little to say about Reno's non-existent offense, but they had many comments about Mandriguez, who finished the game with 14 saves.

"He could play in our league quite easily," said Steve Forslund who scored two goals.

Robbie Williams, who also had two goals and led the Vancouver Island League this season with 15 goals, said, "At first, I didn't think he was good as he was. But the first couple of shots we took he made some good saves.

"I could see then he was quite a goalie."

Doug Hill, the Wests' coach, said, "He's what kept the score down. We would've been in double figures if it hadn't been for him."

Mandriguez looked tired and dejected as he walked off the field. He was spotted by Bill McAllister, the British Columbia coordinator of coaching.

"You're a good young goalkeeper," McAllister, who coached the Canadian National Team in 1974 and 1975, told him. "You did well. When the shots are that close it's not your fault."

Mandriguez said he knew he'd have to play a brilliant game.

"I didn't have much help," the goalkeeper said. "I tried the best I can. I knew if I didn't play that good they'd score 20 goals."

In the scoring, Butch Foster had two goals.

John McGuire, a Victoria skin diver, and Gary McLaron had one each.

Sheridan thought Reno's inspired play was the reason for the halftime tie, but Forslund had another theory.

"This kind of thing happens all the time," the 21-year-old forestry department employe said. "The better team will go down to the other teams' level."

It sounded like the ultimate insult, but it was bluntly correct.

Reno finished with a 5-8-1 record in its league. The Wests finished second in their league, but are in the running for the Canadian amateur championship.

"We've got a good chance of winning the Canadian Amateur championship. We're only four games from it," Hill said. "We've got the horses."

The win stretched the Wests' undefeated streak to 14 games.

In a second game of the doubleheader, the Wests' second division team took a 9-0 win over Reno, which used six reserves and five players from the first game.

by Derek Elcoate.

Victoria A's retained the McGavin Cup in what has been tagged as the "battle of Champions".

After two 15 minute overtimes and five penalty shots, **Joe Mendonca**, of Victoria A's (last year's Canadian Champs), under the name of London Boxing Club) scored a sudden death penalty shot to defeat Victoria West (current Canadian title holders) 6-5, Tues. Oct. 5, at Royal Athletic Park.

Approximately 500 fans turned out to witness a game that had all the excitement and thrills of "Cup Tie" soccer.

Right from the opening whistle it was apparent that the two squads were evenly matched. High spirited attacks would be mounted by the forward lines and turned back by the defenders, each side looking for that one crack in the other's armor.

The Wests got that break at the 22 minute mark; striker, **Mike Sails** sent a shot in near the right post, low and spinning. Keeper **Ted Van Wags** covered the shot but did not completely control it as it slipped from his grasp, link **Steve Moss** was right in place to slip it into the empty net.

The second half got underway and continued at the same place as the first half. It was beginning to look like that one goal edge was going to stand up when at the 61 minute mark the Wests came up with a real picture goal. Winger, **Steve Forslund** took a pass from his own mid field and twisted his way around two defenders to pass the ball to the goal mouth area. Striker, **Robby Williams** looked like the recipient but he dummied the play to allow Striker, **Mike Sails** a clear shot from the open side and score.

It was beginning to look bad for the defending champs but 7 minutes later, Striker, **George**



Steve Forslund, of Vic West, rejoices on teammate Mike Sails' goal, which Steve set up, giving Vic West an early 2-0 lead over



Victoria Athletics, in McGavin Cup play Tuesday, under the lights, at Royal Athletic Park.

Pakos fired home the rebound of a shot taken by Link, **Bob Bolitho** and put the As back in contention.

At the 75 minute mark **Bolitho** was again looking dangerous inside the 18 yard box when he was pulled down by the defenders. The As were awarded a penalty shot on this play and **Bolitho** made no mistake in beating Keeper, **Jim deGoede** to tie up the score.

at the 89 minute mark of regular play Victoria A's Garnet

Moen was ejected from the game for a verbal disagreement with the referee. So, with overtime almost certain the A's were faced with continuing the contest with only 10 men.

The two 15 minute overtime halves were played with the same fervor of the regulation 90 minutes of play, but no further changes to the deadlocked score. Thus setting the scene for 5 penalty shots for each side to try and break the deadlock. Listed below the order in

which the penalty shots were taken.

Vic West:
Mike Sails (scored);
Greg Booth (missed);
Steve Moss (scored)
Ralph Anderson (saved by Keeper);
John McGuire (scored).

Victoria A's:
George Pakos (scored)
Frank Woods (saved by Keeper)
Mike Allabarton (scored)
Howie Anderson (missed)
Bob Bolitho (scored)

Five penalty shots by each side and still a deadlock score. The next step in cup regulations - Sudden Death penalty shots.

Gary McLaren took the Wests and hit the cross bar. **Joe Mendonca** was the man on the spot for the A's and he came through and scored to break the tie and win the game.

What a day for this young man - playing in high school soccer the same afternoon he scored the winning goal for Oak Bay Bays!!!

For the evening's game the Victoria Athletics had played for the first time in their newly arrived "strip" white with orange trim and royal blue shorts. The winning of the game and retaining the McGavin Cup was the first trophy won under the new banner.

Final Score: Vic. West 5; Victoria Athletic Association 6.

Scorers:
Vic West: **Mike Sails** 2, **Steve Moss** 2, **John McGuire**.

Victoria A's: **George Pakos** 2, **Bob Bolitho** 2; **Mike Allabarton**, **Joe Mendonca**.



Vic. West vs. Vic. Athletics played at Royal Athletic Park - Sat., Oct. 30. Final score: Vic. West 4; Vic. Athletics 0. Scorers: Vic. West: **Mike Salls, Rob Williams 2, John Maguir.**

— Colonist photo by Alex Barta

RIVALS AND MATES CRINGE as Vic West goalkeeper Jim DeGoede (1) leaps and slams ball away from net during Saturday soccer action at Royal

Athletic Park. From left facing camera are Mike Hardy of Vic West, George Pakos of the Athletics and Rob Williams of Vic West.

Premier Soccer

VIC WEST REMAIN UNDEFEATED



Five Vic West players move on the lone Victoria Athletic goalie. Gary McLearn's (10) shot goes past the A's goalie but the goal was nullified by one of the five being offside.

Premier Soccer by Derek Elcoate

The Victoria West extended their win streak in the Vancouver Island Premier Soccer League to seven games as they defeated Victoria Athletics 3-1 at Royal Athletic Park Saturday Nov. 19.

The game was played on the far pitch and with the cold snap that has hit the city the pitch was frozen making for a fast game.

The Wests got on the scoreboard first. At the 10 minute mark, left winger **Rob Williams** took a cross from striker **Gary McLaren** to beat keeper **Grant Darley**. **Williams** also got the second marker of the contest 7 minutes later after beating the 'A's defence for a solo effort.

About 20 minutes into the half the Athletic's lost the services of striker **George Pakos**. On an effort to snare a loose forward pass **Pakos** and keeper **Jim De Goede** collided, with **Pakos** sustaining an injured knee. The **William's** two goal effort proved to be the only scoring plays of the first half.

The second half was almost over and looking like the West's were going to put this one in the record books as a 2-0 shut out. At the 86 minute mark striker **Peter Zachery** crossed a pass to **Grant Olsen** who spoiled **De Goede's** shut out. This made the setting for a comeback effort by the Athletics, however, it was not to be. At the 87 minute mark right winger **Steve Forslund** put striker **Tim Ahtzner** in the clear for goal number three to salt the game away for the Wests.

McGavin Cup Points Count - but don't

by Derek Elcoate

Vic West vs Cosmo Royals
Royal Athletic Park, 2:15 p.m.,
Sat. Sept. 10

The regular 77-78 soccer season got under way with this first game in the first round of the McGavin Cup. While points gained in these rounds of cup play do not count in the final league standing, it does give the fans a chance for a preview of the type of soccer to expect for this coming season; the teams; to scout the opposition, and the eventual winners to display in their clubhouse (for one season) a cup donated by and presented by Mayor Andrew McGavin in 1933. It is only since 1961 the cup has been a regular pre-season competition. The third important point in this series is that all profits go to the injured players fund.

The first round of play will encompass two weekends, with the semi-finals and final being played at Royal Athletic Park on Tuesday evenings (kick off time 7:30 p.m.) going through to Oct. 4. The eventual winners will then have their team name inscribed on the cup, along with many "Greats" from past seasons.

This first game saw last years league winners (Vic West) pitted against Cosmo Royals, a team in the process of rebuilding. As well as rebuilding, Royals were without the services of their high scorer Rudi Kuebler.

The first half saw the wests pressing the attack, the Royals answering with the speed of their rookies. However, as this team has only played one weekend of competition soccer previous to today's game their passing was a little off. At the 15 minute mark Royals seemed to let down a little and the powerful West's moved in. Center Forward **Robbie Williams** moved in alone and fired one past keeper **Steve Webb** Two minutes later **Williams** passed to winger **Steve Forslund** for goal number two. At the 21 minute mark winger **Bobby Duncan** crossed a pass to the goalmouth area and **Gary McLaren** headed goal number three past keeper **Webb**. This 6 minute period of three goals seemed to put the Royals off balance for the rest of the first half, which ended with no further scoring.

The second half saw the Royals playing with more confidence and

doing their best to get on the scoreboard. However, the polish of a finished play was lacking (something that this team should gain as the season progresses, a team to keep an eye out for) and it was the West's once more who found the net at the 74 minute mark. **Forslund** getting his second of the afternoon on a pass from **John McGuire**.

The final scoring of the game came with only 6 minutes left full time. **Duncan** on a solo run from the center stripe came up with a hard shot from about 20 yards out - perhaps the prettiest goal of the afternoon.

The West's played without the services of such stalwarts in the back field as **Darrl Hooker**, **Eric Jones** and **Mike Hardy**. However, newcomers **Derek Paul** and **Kerry Shepherd** took up the slack exhibiting some fine poise and ability to fit in with the West's.

Final Score: Vic West 5, Cosmo Royals 0, Scorers: **Rob Williams 1**, **Gary McLaren 1**, **Bobby Duncan 1**, **Steve Forslund 2**

Oak Bay vs Duncan Powel's Men's Wear, Heywood Avenue, 2:15 p.m., Sun. Sept. 11.

Final score was: Oak Bay 4, Duncan Powel's Mens's Wear 3. Scorers from Oak Bay were: **Joe Milligan 2**, **Joe Lachmund 2**, **Marvin Deircks 1** from Duncan, they were: **Gary Cleaver 1**, **Phil Doland 1**, **George Kenschaw 1**.

Nanaimo City vs Gorge Molson, Nanaimo 2:15 p.m., Sun. Sept. 11. Final Score was Nanaimo City 1, Gorge Molson 0. The scorer was **Greg Valliere**

For those who have been following the Canadian Amateur Soccer National Cup Challenge: Vancouver Canadian Italia 1; Vancouver Canadian Italia 1; Newfoundland 0. Scorer was **Vanni Lenaduzzi**.

This is the same team that knocked Victoria Athletic Association and Victoria West of the local Vancouver Island Soccer League - Canadian champions in the last 2 years, out of the Province Cup. Italia for the third consecutive season bring the Canadian Cup to the west. From all local soccer buffs we will wish Italia our hearty congratulation.



Gary McClaren is wide of the net but goalie Steve Web doesn't know that, he dives to make the stop and is left helpless when the ball gets by him.



Rob Williams, Gil McIlraith Royals.

DeGoode's shutout was saved by fullback **Waining Lee** as he cleared a shot off the goal line late in the half. **Williams** notched his second tally on an alert play. **Steve Forslund** took a penalty shot after **Williams** was tripped. His shot went off the post, but **Williams** followed the shot and banged in the rebound unmolested. **Bob Duncan** did all the work on the final goal. He took on two or three defenders, broke through to the goal line and then laid a perfect pass to **Steve Forslund** for his gift goal.

The shutouts continued on Saturday as **Jim DeGoode** and the Canadian champions Vic West, stopped Mestons 3 - 0. **Rob Williams** opened the Wests' scoring for a 1 - 0 halftime lead.



The 76 champs in the premier soccer league keep firing the ball on Steve Webb, of the Cosmo Royals, during the first half of the McGavin Cup play at Royal Athletic.



Cosmo goalie Steve Webb meeting the pressure of the Victoria West team with agility.



Gill McIlraith, of the Royals (left), and Rob Williams, of Victoria West, leap to head a centered kick.

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Ashly Douglas on a slide makes the save, against the rushing Rob William, of Victoria West, in Premier Soccer action at Royal Athletic Park, Saturday



Jim DeGoede goalie for Victoria West blocks a penalty kick.

Vancouver Island Soccer League

VIC. WEST - STREAK STILL GOING

by *Derek Elcoate*

In spite of the overcast sky 200 hardy fans attended the premier soccer game Saturday at Royal Athletic Park to see if Vic West could keep up their unbeaten streak or if the Cosmo Royals could break the four way jam for fourth place.

What they saw was a replay of the final score when Vic West dumped Cosmo 5-0 in the McGavin Cup.

The game started with Royals pressing, the attack. Bolstered by the return to the line up of *Rudi Kuebler* since their last meeting with the wests and the return to the line of veteran *Russ Lamb* and *Barry James*. Although it was the Royals pressing hard it was the Wests who scored. At the six minute mark *Robbie Williams* scored on a pass from *Steve Forslund*. The undaunted Royals

		Standings						
Team	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS	
Vic West	7	6	0	1	18	6	13	
Duncan	7	3	1	3	16	10	9	
Oak Bay	7	3	2	2	15	15	8	
U. Vic. Vik.	5	2	0	3	12	6	7	
Gorge	6	3	2	1	15	11	7	
Vic. Aths.	6	1	2	3	7	9	5	
Nanaimo	7	1	3	3	11	14	5	
Royals	7	2	4	1	9	18	5	
Powell R.	5	1	3	1	11	13	3	
Prospect L.	7	0	5	2	8	20	2	

Victoria West had a close call with Oak Bay Saturday but escaped with its fourth straight victory in the Vancouver Island Soccer League.

The defending champions of the premier division battled through 86 scoreless minutes before Rob Williams beat Oak

continued to make the most of the plays but at the 16 minute mark *Garnet Moen* passed to *John McGuire* who beat keeper *Steve Webb* for the second West goal. Royals had a chance to get back in the ball game 1 minute later, with keeper *Jim De Goede* beaten, *Danny Bell* fired over the cross bar of the open goal. At the 20 minute mark *Williams* rifled a beautiful goal into the top right hand corner of the net on a cross from *Forslund*. At the 26 minute mark *Tim Achtzner* (Greater Victoria High School Leagues leading scorer for 1977) scored on a pass from *Williams* who made the play. This closed the scoring for the first half.

Royals came out for the second half with the same zip and hustle they had shown at the start of the first half. Eight minutes into the half royals had a chance to get on the scoreboard when *Kuebler* was fouled inside the penalty area. On the ensuing penalty shot *Kuebler* was foiled by keeper *De Goede*. One minuet later *McGuire* put the frosting on the cake when he scored on a pass from *Moen*. Early as the goal came in the second half it was to be the last scoring play of the game.

The rain which came down in the first half plus wet ground

Bay netminder *Danny Wilmshurst* for a 1-0 victory before a crowd of about 200 at Royal Athletic Park.

Williams knocked in a rebound off a free kick by *Steve Forslund*.

Both *Wilmshurst* and *Vic West* goaltender *Jim de Goede* played strong games.

Oak Bay had *de Goede* down and beaten twice in the first half but on one occasion a *Vic West* defender cleared the ball from the goalmouth and the other time the Oak Bay attacker shot wide from close range.

The Wests had the best opportunities in the second half but *Wilmshurst* came through with big saves until *Williams* beat him with four minutes left.

The win moved first-place *Vic West* three points ahead of *Duncan Powel's Men's Wear* and four points ahead of *UVic Vikings* and *Oak Bay*.

Premier Soccer

BIG WIN FOR WESTS HEARTBREAKER FOR BAYS

by *Derek Elcoate*

Under skies threatening a down-pour Vancouver Island Premier Soccer fans gathered at Royal Athletic Park Saturday, Oct. 22 to witness the meeting between *Victoria West*, currently in first place, and *Oak Bay*, who were in third place tie.

Competing against the opening day at Sandown Park Race Track, only 170 fans attended the game. But with only four points between first and fifth place tie, the fans were looking forward to exciting, anything can happen soccer. They weren't disappointed. *Vic West* nipped *Oak Bay* 1 - 0 on a goal scored at the 86 minute mark.

Oak Bay two recent additions to their roster, *Ash Douglas* (ex *Victoria A's*) signed about three weeks ago and *John Nash* (ex *Victoria A's*) signed just over a week ago. The west's had *Ralph Anderson* back in their line up plus the addition of *Tim Achtzner* up from the Juvenile ranks.

While the first have produced nothing on the scoreboard it did give the West's a couple of bad scares. Once when keeper *Jim DeGoede* was beaten and it looked as if all the Bay's had to do was fire into an open net. However, this was not to be. On the shot an Oak Bay attacker inadvertently blocked the shot. The second time with keeper *DeGoede* beaten again in the ensuing goal mouth scramble the shot went just by the wrong side of the goalpost.

The second half continued in the same vein as the first -- this time though it was the West's turn to have a couple of near misses. Once when a drive by *John McGuire* hit the cross bar. The second time when keeper *Danny Wilmshurst* made a fine diving save on *Steve Forslund*.

It was beginning to look as if this game was about to go into the record books as another tie game, when the big break came. For *Vic West* was awarded a free kick from about the twenty yard mark. Alert *Robbie Williams* picked up the rebound from the "line" and on a screened shot beat *Wilmshurst*. A goal that was to prove a big win for the West's and a heartbreaker to lose for the Bay's.

In games played Sunday, Oct. 23, *Prospect Lake* tied *Nanaimo City* 1 - 1 at *Topaz Park*. *Gary Davison* scored for *Prospect Lake* and *Ray Clarke* answered for *Nanaimo*.

Victoria Athletics dropped *Gorge Molson* 2 - 1 at *Heywood Ave. Park*. *Murray McCaig* and *Danny Hood* scored for the victors while *Danny Green* accounted for *Molson's* goal.

The U. Vic Vikings and *Duncan Powells Men's Wear* game played at *Centennial Stadium* ended in a scoreless deadlock as neither defence could be penetrated.

While *Danny Bell* led *Cosmo Royals* to a 1 - 0 win over *Powell River Villa* at *Powell River* in the only other Premier game played Sunday.

League Standings

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Vic West	5	4	0	1	12	6	9
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U. Vic Vik.	4	2	0	2	9	3	6
Oak Bay	5	2	2	1	8	9	5
Nanaimo	5	1	1	3	8	9	5
Vic. Aths.	5	1	1	3	7	7	5
Gorge	4	2	2	0	9	7	4
Powell River	5	1	2	2	11	13	4
Royals	5	1	3	1	7	13	3
Prospect L.	5	0	4	1	5	15	1

West's Win Cup After Cup



Rob Williams fires a tough shot for Athletic's goalie Grant Darley to stop.

Victoria West have their hands full. In one hand the Price Cup for the Vancouver Island division one soccer championship and in the other hand the Jackson Cup, giving Victoria West a berth in the B.C. Championship.

The Price Cup was the first to go in Vic West's direction. The champs took a 3-0 decision Wednesday, April 25, over the defenders Victoria Athletics at Royal Athletic Park.

Saturday, on the same ground Victoria West outperformed Prospect Lake, 4-0 before about 500 fans, to complete their double cup quest.

Bob Duncan opened the scoring against the Athletics at the 25 minute mark. The next goal was at the 55 minute mark by **Dan Henry** and the third marker was by **Rob Williams**.

Williams was also outstanding in the Jackson Cup final unanimously selected the games' most valuable player

Garnet Moen started the scoring at the 36 minute mark then **Williams** took over, scoring the next three goals for Vic West.

The Wests will now compete in the Province Cup playoff and eight team knockout competition. Vic West is scheduled to meet B.C. League #2 Eldorado Glens, in Vancouver next weekend.

Victoria Athletic, first division champions, will play host to B.C. League #1, Vancouver Columbus at Royal Athletic Park tentatively Saturday.

The B.C. final, if an Island team is still competing, will be held in Victoria in June.

West's Capture 13th Cup With Victory over Lakers

Victoria West added another Jackson Cup to a long list Saturday, defeating plucky Prospect Lake 4-0 in the final of the Vancouver Island Soccer League's annual single-loss-elimination competition at Royal Athletic Park.

West's have won the Jackson Cup 13 times in the 64-year history of the competition and five times in the last 10 years, including 1976 when they went on to collect the Canadian crown.

Vic West now advances to the Province Cup playoffs, an eight-team, single-loss elimination affair that also involves teams from the Interior, Fraser Valley and B.C. (Greater Vancouver) leagues.

As the No. 1 entry from the Island, West's are scheduled to meet B.C. League No. 2, Eldorado Glens, in Vancouver next weekend.

Victoria Athletics, who took the other Island berth by winning the first division league title, will be at home to B.C. League No. 1, Vancouver Columbus, at Royal Athletic Park, tentatively on Saturday.

If an Island team is still in the running, the B.C. final will be staged here in June.

On Saturday, Vic West dominated the midfield and pressed hard throughout while overpowering Prospect Lake, the only second division side ever to reach

the final, before approximately 500 fans.

Garnet Moen got West's untracked by scoring at 36 minutes during a defensive mixup near the goalmouth.

Robbie Williams then finished it all off.

He made it 2-0 just seconds before the half with a booming drive, slammed home a rebound at 61 minutes and completed a hat-trick by heading a Moen

cross into the goal with six minutes remaining. The Lakers had few opportunities and were limited to only two or three direct shots at Vic West goalkeeper Jim de Goede.

Williams leads West's to win over Vikings

Robbie Williams was on target Saturday and boosted Victoria West into the premier division playoff final of the Vancouver Island Soccer League.

Williams scored three goals, including the winner, at Topaz Park as the league champions defeated University of Victoria Vikings 4-2 in a game which was tied 1-1 at the half.

Williams, who had opened the scoring at 12 minutes, snapped a 2-2 tie at 65 minutes and added an insurance goal three minutes later. Garnet Moen scored the other

Vic West goal on a penalty shot at 50 minutes.

Danny Lomas, at 14 minutes, and John Leier, at 52 minutes, scored for the Vikings, who finished the game with 10 players as goalkeeper Ted Van Waes was ejected for arguing with the referee. Lomas played the last 10 minutes in goal.

Vic West will play rival Victoria Athletics at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Royal Athletic Park for the playoff title. Athletics are also in the running for the Jackson Cup and meet Cosmopolitan Royals in the final at 2:15 p.m. Saturday, also at Royal Athletic Park.

Shutout Lifts West's to Top

Rob Williams scored at the 75-minute mark Sunday in Nanaimo to give Victoria West a 1-0 shutout over Nanaimo City and sole possession of first place in the premier division of the Vancouver Island Soccer League.

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.	
Victoria West	6	6	0	0	18	4	12	
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Gorge Molsons	6	4	1	1	19	15	9	
UVic Vikings	5	2	2	1	11	9	5	
Cosmo Royals	7	2	4	1	10	14	5	
Gorge United	6	2	4	0	9	9	4	
DaVinci	7	2	5	0	6	15	4	
Oak Bay	7	1	5	1	9	17	3	
Powell River	7	6	1	5	0	11	15	2

West extends unbeaten run

Victoria West remained unbeaten and padded its lead in the Vancouver Island Soccer League's First Division on Saturday, turning back Victoria Athletics, 3-1, at Royal Athletic Park.

It was West's seventh win in eight games and moved them six points ahead of Duncan Powels, who have lost only once and managed nine points from seven games to rank a point ahead of Oak Bay. Five teams, including unbeaten but three-times-tied UVic Vikings, have seven points.

Solid play by their backs was the difference for West in a fast end-to-end game played on a frozen turf.

The league leaders were 2-0 at the intermission with Robbie Williams doing all the scoring, and Tim Achtzner

got the clinching goal at 87 minutes, only a minute after Grant Olson had sliced the lead in half.

Williams' first goal came at 10 minutes on a cross from Gary McLaren, and Williams did it all by himself seven minutes later by breaking through in the middle to beat Grant Dorley. Olson's goal came off a cross from Tom Zachary, and Achtzner cashed in on a through pass from Steve Forslund.

Mestons beaten after three ties

It took the Canadian champions to hand Mestons their first loss in the first division of the Vancouver Island Soccer League.

The recently-crowned Canadian champion Victoria West scored its third straight win of the season by blanking previously unbeaten Mestons 3-0 at Royal Athletic Park.

Mestons, formerly Metro Toyota, earned promotion from the second division last season and had managed ties in each of its first three starts in the first division.

Rob Williams put Wests out front early in the game. Goalkeeper Gord Reading stopped a shot by Steve Moss but couldn't hold the ball and Williams banged the rebound home.

Wests had several other fine scoring opportunities but Dan Henry was wide on a shot at eight minutes and Mestons defender Howie Anderson headed a header by John McGuire over the crossbar after a corner by Henry.

Anderson set up Mestons best scoring opportunity when he made a cross to Tiberio Frias at the 40-minute mark but defender Waining Lee blocked the shot.

Henry missed another excellent opportunity when he shot wide early in the second half but Williams made it 2-0 in the 57th minute. Steve Forslund hit the post on a penalty shot and Williams drilled home the rebound.

Wests goalkeeper Jim DeGoede preserved the shutout with a fine save off Frias at 69 minutes and Forslund made it 3-0 in the 76th minute.

Bob Duncan's brilliant individual effort set up the final goal. Duncan dribbled through the Meston's defence and passed to Forslund

who drove the ball home from eight yards out.



Alex Baria photo.

OPENING GOAL for Vic West in Saturday game at Royal Athletic Park is scored by Rob Williams (centre in white) as he beats Mestons' Gord Reading who had blocked but couldn't hold shot by

Steve Moss. Others shown (clockwise from goalpost) are: Paul Pynn and Bob Young of Mestons, Moss, and Mestons' Dave Richmond. Wests, recently-crowned Canadian champs, won 3-0.

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