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Times Colonist

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This award is presented by the citizens of the City of Victoria to

Robbie Williams

of the Victoria West Soccer Club

for outstanding athletic achievement in winning the

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November 29, 1976

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Vic West gains final

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The B.C. and Western Canada champions defeated St. Lawrence Laurentians of Newfoundland by one penalty kick Saturday at Alexander Park.

Today, Vic West meets Fort Rouge of Manitoba in the final.

John McGuire scored two goals for Vic West. He counted 23 minutes into overtime to tie the game at 1-1 and he scored one of the five penalty

kicks Vic West made in ten tries.

Regulation play ended in a scoreless draw but Newfoundland's Clem Edwards beat goaltender Jim de Goede two minutes into overtime.

De Goede came up big in the kickoff that followed the 30-minute overtime — 15-minute halves — stopping six of ten shots.

Ralph Anderson, Greg Booth, Eric Jones and Steve Moss scored the other penalty goals for Victoria which is trying to capture the Challenge Cup, won last year by London Boxing Club of Victoria.

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Soccer is a game known and enjoyed by perhaps more people in the world than any other sport. There is a demand for dedication and skill on the part of individuals making up the teams and, from Soccer fans, there is a loyalty to favorite teams and players that is unrivalled in most other sports.

It is my sincere hope that you will each find the challenge of individual and team effort a rewarding and memorable experience, and that out of keen competition many new and lasting friendships may be found.

EDWARD SCHREYER



UNFORTUNATLY NO PICTURE
WAS AVAILABLE.

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Victoria West

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| Ralph Anderson | Waining Lee |
| Tom Black | John McGuire |
| Mark Bolli | Donald McIntosh |
| Gregory Booth | Gary McLaren |
| Jacob DeGoede | Greg Mellish |
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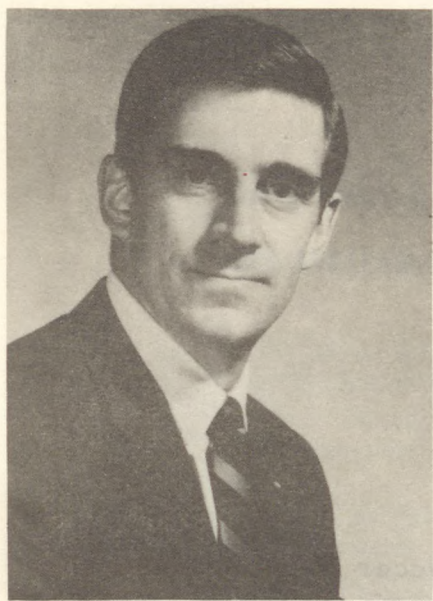
Manitoba Soccer Association

The Manitoba Soccer Association and the City of Winnipeg welcome the teams participating in the Canadian Soccer Finals.

Your hosts the Manitoba Soccer Association have gone to great lengths in order to make these finals a success and I congratulate them on a job well done.

Soccer is a sport that requires both skill and stamina. The team members will attest to the fact that the road to these finals has been a rigorous one. Unfortunately only one team can emerge victorious.

Stephen Juba,
MAYOR.



E. King Executive Director
Canadian Soccer Association



W. L. Stirling President
Canadian Soccer Association

Best Wishes

to all Participants

from the Manitoba

Central Soccer League

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CHAMPIONSHIP

AUGUST 27, - 29, 1976
WINNIPEG MANITOBA

CANADIAN SOCCER ASSOCIATION

President's Message

On behalf of the Canadian Soccer Association, I extend best wishes to the four teams which will compete in Winnipeg for the Challenge Cup during the week-end of August 27th to August 29th. The Challenge Cup was presented to the Canadian Soccer Association by the Football Association of England, and is a handsome trophy, worthy of winning.

The Canadian Soccer Association is pleased to stage this Tournament in Winnipeg, the home of Sam Davidson, one of its founders, and of George Anderson, its long-time Secretary and member of the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame.

W. L. STIRLING
President
Canadian Soccer Association

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MANITOBA SOCCER ASSOCIATION

The Manitoba Soccer Association extends a
Hearty Welcome to all the teams who are
participating in the Canadian Finals at
Alexander Park this weekend.

May you all enjoy a weekend of good soccer
and good sportsmanship in Friendly Manitoba.

John Straker 1st Vice Pres.
for Don Romano Pres.

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Schedule of Competition

Game - 1

Friday, August 27th 6:30 P.M.

Semi - Final

Fort Rouge vs Halifax Olands
(Manitoba) (Nova Scotia)

Game - 2

Saturday, August 28th 2:30 P.M.

Semi - Final

Victoria West vs St. Lawrence
(British Columbia) (Newfoundland)

Game - 3

Sunday, August 29th 1:00 P.M.

Game to decide Third Placing between
the loser of Game #1 and the loser of
Game #2

Game - 4

Sunday, August 29th 3:00 P.M.

Cup Finals to decide Championship winners
between winners of Game #1 and the winners
of Game #2

CANADIAN SOCCER
CHAMPIONSHIP



Halifax Olands

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| John Chisholm | Ross Webb |
| Terry Newton | Phil Boyle |
| Mike Marsh | Ron Buckley |
| Frank Lesage | Alan Mackay |
| Kevin Doyle | Darcy Walsh |
| Rod Debaie | Terry MacDonald |
| Bob Moss | Guy Walsh |
| Alex Feargreine | Cliff Lowery |



THE FORT ROUGE SOCCER CLUB
WINNERS OF THE MANITOBA CUP

2nd Row: Frank Bain (Mgr); Kevin Parsons; Stu Thompson; Larry Vouriot; Enzo Vicenzio; Fernando Diubaldo;
Jim Beveridge; Jack McPherson; Laurie McIvor (Coach); Sam Barlin (Trainer).
1st Row: Gary Aubert; Francis McKee; Hans Brever; Don Kruk; Gary Batchelor; Terry Hildebrand; Chris
Pasterfield (Carling O'Keefe).
MISSING: Bill Morgan; Fred Van Donyen.

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and the Manitoba Soccer Association
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| Greg Quirke | Ray Molloy |
| Tom Tarrant | Phonse Cooper |
| Mario Tarrant | Moe Clarke |
| Jim Loder | Jack Loder |
| Al Slaney | Gene Banfield |
| Clem Edwards | David Slaney |
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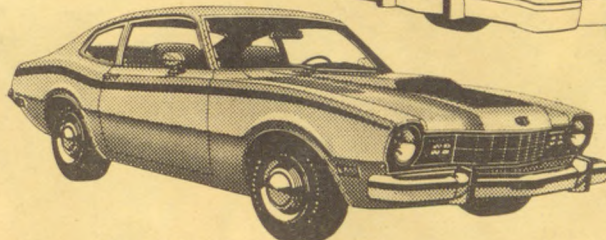
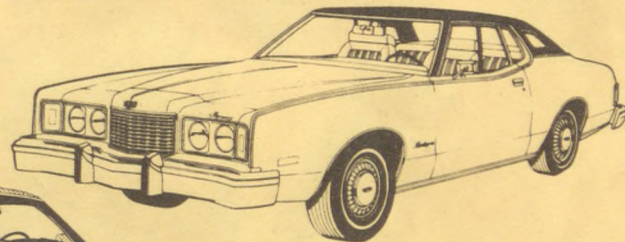
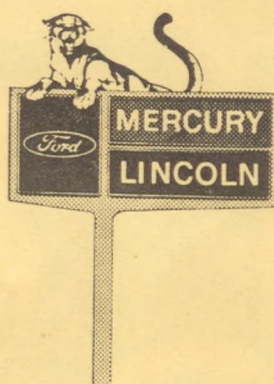
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Vic West takes on host Winnipeg Tatra at 2 p.m. today and the three-team round-robin competition winds up Sunday with Calgary playing Winnipeg.

The winner here goes on to the national championships in Saskatoon Oct. 8, 9 and 10.

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THE WEST'S SCORED 75 GOALS IN 18 LEAGUE GAMES AND ARE LEAD BY ROB WILLIAMS WITH 19. THEIR SUCCESS HAS BEEN IN A BALANCED STRIKING UNIT WITH GREG BOOTH COUNTING 14, STEVE FORSLAND ADDING 12 AND GARY McLAREN 16 GOALS.



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.



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

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 todays 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.

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





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 dissatisfied. 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.

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WILLIAMS TALLIES HAT - TRICK

by *Derek Elcoate*

Victoria West and Victoria Athletic Association will clash in the finals of the Vancouver Island Premier Soccer playoff 7:30, Wednesday, April 26 at Royal Athletic Park.

The Athletics are the winners of the A semi-final playoff while Vic West knocked off the Univer-

sity of Victoria Vikings 4-2 Saturday, April 22, at Topaz, to win the B semi-final.

From the opening whistle both Vic West and the Vikings pressed for the first goal, which made for wide open soccer.

The Wests got on the scoreboard at 12 minutes when *Robbie Williams* fired a deflection from a

corner kick taken by *Steve Forslund*, giving keeper *Ted Van Waes* no chance.

The Vikings were not about to let the Wests build up a lead. *Jim Palm* took a free kick for the Vikings at 14 minutes and striker *Dan Lomas* steered it past keeper *Jim DeGoede* to equalize the score. Both teams pressed for the go ahead goal but the half ended with no further scoring.

Five minutes into the second half striker *Williams* was pulled down in the penalty area and *Garnet Moen* made no mistake on the penalty shot. Like in the first half, the Vikings were not about to give up and striker *John Leier* 2 minutes later broke through the defence to equalize the score. This could have been the go ahead goal as on the play before *Leier* broke through the defence, and pulled keeper *DeGoede* out of place and seemed certain to score into an empty net but was caught by a speedy defender before he could get the shot away.

The go ahead goal came at the 64 minute mark for the West's. *Williams* fired the ball from inside the 18 yard mark through the defence. *Williams* got an insurance goal for the Wests scoring a "hat trick", with about 10 minutes left in the game. *Viking's keeper, Van Waes* had a difference of opinion with the referee and got "red carded" to be ejected from the game. Striker *Lomas* finished the rest of the game in goal for the Vikings.

