BRISBANE REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

(COMBINED BRISBANE in the BULIMBA CUP, MIDWEEK NATIONAL COMPETITION, versus INTERNATIONAL TOURING SIDES, versus QLD COUNTRY & versus SYDNEY METROS)

Before the Brisbane Broncos came along, Brisbane, as a representative side and composed of the best players from the clubs playing in the Brisbane rugby league competition, had a long and proud history.

In the Bulimba Cup, an annual triangular competition between Brisbane, Ipswich and Toowoomba that ran for 50 years up until 1972, Brisbane was the dominant side winning a total of 19 times (Toowoomba won 16 and Ipswich won 11 times). The competition was named after its sponsor, the Bulimba Brewery, which got its name from where it originally started in Brisbane, though it soon moved to Fortitude Valley. Though it began in 1925, Brisbane did not win their first Bulimba Cup until 1930. They won 3 titles in a row before Ipswich began to dominate in the 1930's. Brisbane dominated in the 1940's winning all of them except 1944 and 1945. The 1950's was dominated by Toowoomba with Ipswich winning the only two titles that Toowoomba did not win.



At its peak the Bulimba Cup drew huge crowds to Lang Park and the Gabba. The record of 25 000 was set in 1959 at Lang Park when Brisbane, Ied by test prop Henry Holloway, thrashed Ipwich 34-10 with Lionel Morgan scoring 3 tries and test fullback, Clive Churchill, who briefly moved up to Brisbane, scoring another try. Brisbane finished behind Toowoomba and Ipswich that year who played a rare final, being level on points. Frank Drake, playing for Toowoomba, was dominant as they beat Ipswich 10-7 who fielded greats such as Gary Parcell, Dud Beattie and Noel Kelly. Toowoomba went on to retain the cup in 1960.

In the 1960's the tide swung back to Brisbane as a steady exodus of country players to Brisbane began to occur attracted by better money offered by the Brisbane clubs. One of those was Frank Drake who played for Souths in Brisbane. In one 1961 game playing for Brisbane against Ipswich he scored 4 tries in a 37-13 win at Ipswich. They finished on top of the table and won in 1961 after winning a fiery 17-14 win in Toowoomba, their first win up on the range for a decade. Brisbane won 4 years in a row. Toowoomba won in 1965 and Ipswich won the final against Brisbane 7-2 in 1966. Brisbane won all the remaining Bulimba Cup titles until its demise in 1972 except for being pipped 18-17 by Toowoomba in the 1970 final.

Two years after the demise of the Bulimba Cup in 1972, a national midweek competition began in 1974 called the Amco Cup. The top four Brisbane clubs were invited to play in 1975 and then all the Brisbane clubs in 1976 up until 1978. Due to the lack of competitiveness against the Syndey clubs it was decided to field a combined Brisbane team in 1979. The combined Brisbane team after defeating Queensland Country 8-5 in a controversial semi-final, made it to the final only to be defeated by Cronulla 22-5. The name changed three times from the Amco Cup to the Tooth Cup (1980-82) to the KB Cup (1983) and then to the Panasonic Cup (1984). Brisbane next made the semis in 1983 when they went down to Manly 23-14 at Lang Park.

In the first year of the Panasonic Cup (1984), the combined Brisbane team won the Cup for the first time. After beating South Sydney 25-18, they won narrowly in the quarter-final against Canterbury 14-11 and semi-final against Parramatta 14-12. It got even tighter in the final. Brilliantly led by Wally Lewis, Brisbane won a tough defensive game against Easts 12-11 tenaciously holding on for several defensive sets at the end, including a disallowed try that would have won it for Easts.

After such a brilliant series in 1984 they failed to make the quarter finals for the next four years including 1988 when both the Brisbane Broncos and a combined Brisbane team (minus the cream of the crop talent that played for the Broncos) competed. Both Brisbane teams also competed in 1989. The Brisbane Broncos, led by Wally Lewis, won the last Panasonic Cup competition in 1989 beating Illawarra 22-20, the second title for teams representing Brisbane. In total Brisbane (either as a combined Brisbane or the Brisbane Broncos) played 30 games for 18 wins and 12 losses. The Brisbane Broncos played 5 games. They won 4 games and lost 1. Their last game when they won the 1989 Panasonic Cup final was the last midweek competition game ever played.

Brisbane has had a solid record playing international touring teams winning on several occasions. Out of 24 games against Great Britain, New Zealand, France and the USA they have won 7 games with the majority of losses being close games. Their victories include beating Great Britain 18-14 in 1932, the American All-Stars 39-26 in 1953, beating France 15-12 in 1960 and 23-17 in 1964, victories against Great Britain by 19-17 in 1966 and 20-15 in 1974 and a 14-12 win in 1977 against France. The last game against an international touring team was in 1988 when a combined BRL team that didn't include the Brisbane Broncos who started playing that year, was beaten 28-14 by Great Britain.

For many years (but not as consistent as the NSW City v Country clash) Brisbane has played Queensland Country in a City v Country clash. They were played on a residential basis until 1988 when they began to be played on a origin basis. They were mostly held as trial games to help selectors choose the Queensland side to play NSW in the interstate clash, or more recently, as a trial for selecting the Qld Residents team to play NSW Residents. The last City v Country game was held in 2010. In total both sides had won 17 each. Between 1996 and 2003 a second tier interstate game for the Brasch-Bellew Cup between Brisbane Capitols and Sydney Metros was also held with Brisbane winning 7 games to 2. There have been other miscellaneous games played by a combined Brisbane team including some end of season games against the Sydney premiers for which I do not have records at this time. Between 1963 and 1972 Brisbane played in the State Championship against other Queensland Country regions winning three times.

Below the State level players from Brisbane clubs also represented South Queensland in 1963 beating South Africa 27-17 and 1981 against Papua New Guinea giving the tourists a 59-3 thrashing at Lang Park with Mal Meninga running riot scoring 4 tries and 9 goals for a total of 30 points. In 1987, the year before the Broncos came along, a well-attended State of Origin trial game was held at Lang Park between Queenslanders based in Queensland against Queenslanders playing in the Sydney competition. The NSW-based Queenslanders, because of better fitness, won the exciting game by 20-10.

BRISBANE v International Touring Sides

Year	Opponents	Result	Crowd	
1908	New Zealand	Lost 43-10		
1930	New Zealand	Lost 19-17		
1932	Great Britain	Won 18-15	4 843	
1936	Great Britain	Lost 19-4	24 722	
1946	Great Britain	Lost 21-15	15 722	
1950	Great Britain	Lost 18-8	15 084	
1951	France	Lost 17-16	10 750	
1953	USA	Won 39-26	7 000	
1954	Great Britain	Lost 34-4	18 070	
1955	France	Lost 21-11	30 000	
1956	New Zealand	Lost 26-8	14 637	
1958	Great Britain	Lost 34-29	14 956	
1959	New Zealand	Lost 36-8	16 888	
1960	France	Won 15-12	17 425	
1962	Great Britain	Lost 16-14	22 650	
1963	New Zealand	Lost 16-15	12 630	
1964	France	Won 23-17	12 841	
1966	Great Britain	Won 19-17	18 638	
1967	New Zealand	Lost 31-10	4 671	
1970	Great Britain	Lost 28-7	10 117	
1974	Great Britain	Won 20-15	7 880	
1977	France	Won 14-12		
1979	Great Britain	Lost 10-7	3 500	
1988	Great Britain	Lost 28-14	1 800	

SOUTH QUEENSLAND v International Touring Sides

Year	Opponents	Result	Crowd
1963	South Africa	Won 27-17	2 187
1988	Papua New Guinea	Won 59-3	

Bulimba Cup

The **Bulimba Cup** was a representative rugby league football competition contested by the Brisbane, Ipswich and Toowoomba rugby league sides. In 1931, a team from Lismore participated. It was first contested in 1925 but was cancelled in 1972 due to waning public interest.

The competition was normally played as a round-robin with each team playing each other twice. On the rare occasions when teams finished evenly at the conclusion of 6 games, a playoff was held to determine the winner. From 1969 onwards, a final was held.

Winners [edit]

The competition has been won by Brisbane 19 times, Toowoomba 16 times and Ipswich 11 times.

- 1925: Toowoomba
- 1926: Ipswich
- 1927: Toowoomba
- 1928: Toowoomba
- 1929: Ipswich
- 1930: Brisbane
- 1931: Brisbane defeated Toowoomba 24-13
- 1932: Brisbane
- 1933: Ipswich
- 1934: Ipswich
- 1935: Ipswich
- 1936: Toowoomba
- 1937: Ipswich
- 1938: Ipswich
- 1939: Ipswich
- 1940: Brisbane
- 1941: Brisbane
- 1942: Not contested
- 1943: Not contested
- 1944: Toowoomba
- 1945: Toowoomba
- 1946: Brisbane
- 1947: Brisbane
- 1948: Brisbane
- 1949: Brisbane
- 1950: Brisbane

- 1951: Toowoomba
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- 1954: Toowoomba
- 1955: Toowoomba
- 1956: Toowoomba
- 1957: Ipswich
- 1958: Ipswich defeated Toowoomba 15-10
- 1959: Toowoomba defeated Ipswich 10-7
- 1960: Toowoomba
- 1961: Brisbane
- 1962: Brisbane
- 1963: Brisbane
- 1964: Brisbane
- 1965: Toowoomba
- 1966: Ipswich defeated Brisbane 7-2
- 1967: Brisbane
- 1968: Brisbane
- 1969: Brisbane defeated Toowoomba 27-8
- 1970: Toowoomba defeated Brisbane 18-17
- 1971: Brisbane defeated Toowoomba 22-13
- 1972: Brisbane defeated Toowoomba 55-2





BRISBANE



TOOWOOMBA



IPSWICH

Amco / Tooth / KB / Panasonic Cup Games Played by Brisbane

DATE	SERIES - GAME	OPPONENTS	RESULT	VENUE
2/05/79	1979 Amco Cup - Preliminary Game	St. George	WON 13-10	Lang Park
27/06/79	1979 Amco Cup - Preliminary Game	Manly	WON 13-10	Leichhardt Oval
25/07/79	1979 Amco Cup - Preliminary Game	Easts	WON 17-8	Lang Park
8/08/79	1979 Amco Cup -Semi Final	Qld Country	WON 8-5	Lang Park
15/08/79	1979 Amco Cup –Final	Cronulla	LOST 22-5	Leichhardt Oval
2/04/80	1980 Tooth Cup - Preliminary Game	Easts	LOST 14-4	Lang Park
18/06/80	1980 Tooth Cup - Preliminary Game	Manly	WON 27-20	Lang Park
29/04/81	1981 Tooth Cup - Preliminary Game	Newtown	LOST 23-19	Lang Park
21/04/82	1982 KB Cup - Preliminary Game	Balmain	LOST 13-10	Lang Park
15/06/82	1982 KB Cup - Preliminary Game	South Island (NZ)	WON 34-3	Lang Park
21/07/82	1982 KB Cup – Quarter Final	Parramatta	LOST 25-7	Lang Park
18/05/83	1983 KB Cup - Preliminary Game	North Sydney	WON 38-18	Lang Park
20/07/83	1983 KB Cup - Quarter Final	NSW Country	WON 54-14	Leichhardt Oval
27/07/83	1983 KB Cup –Semi Final	Manly	LOST 23-14	Lang Park
2/05/84	1984 National Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	South Sydney	WON 25-18	Lang Park
11/07/84	1984 National Panasonic Cup - Quarter Final	Canterbury	WON 14-11	Lang Park
25/07/84	1984 National Panasonic Cup - Semi Final	Parramatta	WON 14-12	Leichhardt Oval
15/08/84	1984 National Panasonic Cup - Final	Easts	WON 12-11	Leichhardt Oval
17/04/85	1985 National Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Balmain	LOST 33-16	Leichhardt Oval
16/04/86	1986 National Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Manly	LOST 18-10	Lang Park
8/04/87	1987 National Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Penrith	LOST 14-2	Leichhardt Oval
30/03/88	1988 Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Brisbane (BRL) v Newcastle	LOST 26-10	Newcastle
6/04/88	1988 Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Brisbane (Broncos) v Penrith	LOST 24-10	Parramatta Stadium

DATE	SERIES - GAME	OPPONENTS	RESULT	VENUE	
4/04/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Brisbane (BRL) v Port Moresby	WON 21-12	Port Moresby	
7/04/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Brisbane (BRL) v NSW Country	WON 9-2	Seagulls Stadium	
12/04/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Brisbane (BRL) v St George	LOST 14-10	Lang Park	
1/03/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Preliminary Game	Brisbane (Broncos) v Canberra	WON 18-13	Parkes	
17/05/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Quarter Final	Brisbane (Broncos) v Parramatta	WON 42-6	Townsville Sports Reserve	
31/05/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Semi Final	Brisbane (Broncos) v South Sydney	WON 24-4	Bathurst	
7/06/89	1989 Panasonic Cup - Final	Brisbane (Broncos) v Illawarra	WON 22-20	Parramatta Stadium	

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BRISBANE RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE JUBILEE YEAR, 1946



Sitting in front—N. Sue See, E. Verrenkamp
Second Row—W. E. Dunne (Sciector), L. Kenny, A. G. Welch (Chairman of Committees and Emergency Selector), J. Reardon (Captain), W. H. Gold (Secty), G. Edward, F. Neumann (Selector), J. Schatz, J. Nolan
Fourth Row—J. Clark, J. Neal, W. Tyani, A. Thompson, D. R. Kay, T. Maele, R. Stewart
Back Row—J. Ryrie, L. Pegg. E. Jamieson, G. Day, R. Pegg. D. Debton, L. Marphy
Abstract—J. Montgomery (Selector), C. Green, W. White, R. Wessay

B.R.L. BULIMBA CUP TEAM 1963



BACK ROW: J. Bayada (Selector), T. Neibling, L. Weier, K. Day, W. McDermett P. Berigan (Selector), THIRD ROW: F. Mctassa, J. Foreman, L. Furness (Masseur), R. Webster, L. Morgan SECOND ROW. D. Farrell, C. Weir, N. Thornton, F. Drake, B. Cook, C. Weier, FRONT ROW: P. Leal (Selector), M. Velvers, B: Muir (Capti), Dr. C. W. Uhr (President), P. Galfagher (V. Capti,), J. Glecson, R. Davis (Selector), ABSENT: C. Roff (Selector), E. Harris (Gaesh), J. Bates, F. Duncan J. Hannam, K. Lingard, i. Massie, B. Milburn, R. Poulsen.

Brisbane, undefeated Bulimba Cup champions in 1961. Back (from left): Lionel Morgan, Mick Veivers, Bob Hagan, Bill Pearson, Nev Warburton, Peter Gallagher. Third row: Pat Leal (selector), Norm McFadden, Bill McDermott, R. 'Smoky' Davis (selector), Bobby Gray, Barry Stevens, Bill Law (selector). Second row: Len Furness (masseur), Mick Cox, R. Zellar, Col Weier, Geoff Fowler, Sel Belsham, Kevin Lohman, Jim Atkins (selector). Front: Eric Harris (coach), Ken Day, Barry Muir, Dr Clive Uhr (president), Bob Gehrke, Frank Drake, Charlie Roff (selector).



Below: The Brisbane team that won the 1964 Bulimba Cup.









Above: The Brisbane team that won the last Bulimba Cup competition in 1972. Some players include Greg Vievers, Des Morris, John Grant and John Lang.



Front Row, I. to r: — K. BRASCH (Manager), C. RYAN, I. PEARCE (Capt.), DON ALROE (President B. R. L.), T. OBST, J. CALLUS
G. TRIECHEL (Manager)

Second Row, I. to r: — G. McCARTHY, G. PRICKETT, P. McNAMARA, D. VAN DE VELDE, F. GRAYSON, J. DOWLING

Back Row, I. to r: — G. OLIPHANT, J. LOHMAN (Coach), N. CARR, A. BISHOP M.B.E. (M/Ctee.), P. LEIS

Absent: — R. STRUDWICK, J. RIBOT, P. KELLY, B. GARDINER, R. COCK

The Bulimba Cup

The famous Bulimba Cup competition involving Brisbane, Ipswich and Toowoomba was in its declining years when Lang Park began to host matches involving the main league centres of Southern Queensland.

As early as 1966 critics were predicting the demise of the competition because Brisbane clubs were attracting so many good players from Ipswich and the Darling Downs.

And in 1971 brewery manager Tom Kelly threatened to withdraw sponsorship following a brawling Lang Park match in which referee Tom Barrett sent off four players - Johnny Brown and Des Morris (Brisbane) and Peter Lawton and Peter Connell (Toowoomba).

The dismissals followed a wild brawl mid-way through the second half involving at least 10 players.

In the football department Brisbane proved too strong winning back the Cup from the favourites Toowoomba 22-13.

But attention focused on the fighting and Kelly let fly with some well chosen words when he presented the Cup to Brisbane skipper Tony Scott.

"The way it looks today, if I am presenting this Cup next year it will be at Festival Hall," he said. "Wake up to yourselves, don't fight. Play football or there will not be a Bulimba Cup to play for next year."

After Brisbane's 30-5 win over Toowoomba at Lang Park in 1966 The Courier Mail's Jack Reardon wrote that the "big money" city clubs could "fully deplete Ipswich and Toowoomba of its star players and just not bother about the Bulimba Cup any more."

Although there was no doubt the Cup was on borrowed time, cocky Brisbane outfits still had their colours lowered from time to time.

Just a week after the easy win over Toowoomba a team of unknowns from Ipswich thrashed Brisbane 24-9 at Lang Park. The stars for Ipswich that day being John Andrews, Kev Stephens, Sid Lewis and Howard Purdon - remain largely anonymous outside their own city.

Brisbane coach Bob Bax said his players had made "complete idiots of themselves" and there was no team



Frank Drake (Toowoomba) about to step Henry Holloway (Brisbane) in a 1960's clash

spirit

"Players know it is a great honour to play for Brisbane in a Bulimba Cup game but it seems they are not prepared to give a 100 percent effort for their city," Bax said. "In my opinion it is the one thing that has defeated Brisbane for years."

Ipswich went on to win the final 7-2 at Lang Park to take the Cup for the first time since 1958. The crowd was 5 129.

In a 1969 first round match Toowoomba defeated Brisbane 20-19 at Lang Park with halfback Dick Rose impressing with his speed around the scrum base. In the same match Brisbane replacement centre Bob Hardie scored two tries.



Alan Gil, represented Toowoomba, Nth Qld, Qld and Australia in the 50's and 60's

But Brisbane won the Cup that year ,Test forward Geoff Connell inspirational in the 27-8 win over Toowoomba in the final at Toowoomba.

At its peak the Cup drew huge crowds to Lang Park and the Gabba. The record of 25 000 (gate receipts 2 619 pounds) was set at Lang Park in 1959 when Brisbane, led by Test prop Henry Holloway, thrashed Toowoomba 34-10 with former Tweed All Blacks winger Lionel Morgan scoring three tries.

Test fullback Clive Churchill scored a try and played a big hand in three others.

That same year Ipswich fielded a pack which included Gary Parcell, Dud Beattie, Noel Kelly and Jim Foreman and their Lang Park appearance attracted a crowd of 17 000. Brisbane won a brawling clash 34-13.

With State fullback Frank Drake leading the way 24 hours after his father's funeral in Sydney, Toowoomba won the 1959 Cup final defeating Ipswich 10-7

Two years later representing Brisbane, Drake would score four tries at Lang Park in a 37-13 win over Ipswich.

Toowoomba and Brisbane finished level on the 1959 points table and the Downsmen won a play-off 30-12 at Lang Park with big Irish forward Robin Gourley (father of St George star Scott) in fine attacking form.

In 1960 Toowoomba retained the Cup after winning a first round Lang Park clash against Brisbane 26-15 with forward Bob Duncan and centre Alan Gil leading the way.

Jack Reardon wrote that the difference in all round ability of the teams was the higher eduction of the Toowoomba players in the finer points of the game.

"It was like watching primary school against secondary school," Reardon wrote

In 1961 Brisbane regained the Cup for the first time since 1950 clinching the trophy with a 17-14 win in Toowoomba their first win in the garden city since 1952.

Brisbane players Barry Muir and Kev Lohman were attacked by spectators, including two former international forwards as they left the field at the end of the fiery match. Muir and Lohman said they had been punched at least three times each. Lohman scored the winning try for Brisbane as the fulltime siren sounded.

The Bulimba Cup unearthed many stars. In 1964 Toowoomba's 19 year-old centre John McDonald got rave reviews for his display against Brisbane in the Clydesdales 27-18 loss.

Reardon wrote that McDonald had

pace, good hands, the ability to beat a tackler and to withstand pressure.

"Look for him in the State team by next year - if not sooner," Reardon

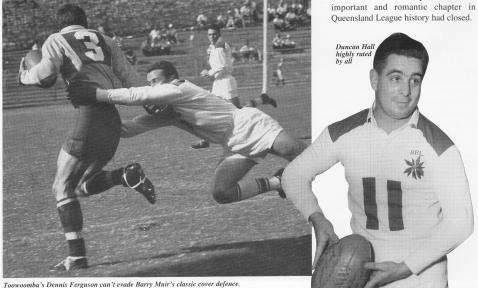
McDonald went on to play for Australia and today he is QRL chairman.

The competition seemed to have reached farcical proportions with Brisbane defeating Ipswich 66-5 in one Lang Park encounter in 1970, fullback Tony Scott scoring three tries. In the Brisbane competition that year there were 18 Ipswich players in first grade and the representative sides were not chosen on an Origin basis.

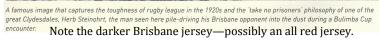
But that same year Toowoomba, coached by former Test centre Bob Hagan, upset Brisbane 17-13 in Toowoomba in a preliminary match and then won the final 18-17. Known as "Hagan's heroes" the Clydesdales were inspired by forwards Ted Irvine, Joe Murphy, Graham Kerr and Paul Morgan the current Broncos chairman.

In the final at Toowoomba a goal after the siren by fullback John Cowley gave the Downsmen the Cup.

Toowoomba started the 1972 Cup with a 12-36 loss to Brisbane and in the Lang Park final Brisbane romped home 55-2 over the Downsmen before a crowd of only 3 582. That was it. The Cup had run its course after 47 years and an important and romantic chapter in







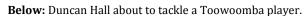


■ Brisbane and Toowoomba battle it out for the Bulimba Cup at the Gabba in the 1940s. Ernie Toovey Collection



Below: An Ipswich player on the burst in a Bulimba Cup game at the Gabba against Brisbane.









Above: Brishane v. Toowoomba, Bulimba Cup at The Gabba, 1956.

Below: What I believe is the 1958 Brisbane team posing for a team photo. On the right wearing number 11 is Brian Davies and number 7 is Barry Muir.





Above: Clive Churchill playing for Brisbane in 1959 at Lang Park. His opposite fullback for Toowoomba, Frank Drake is on the right. **Below Left:** Clive Churchill **Below Right:** Barry Muir









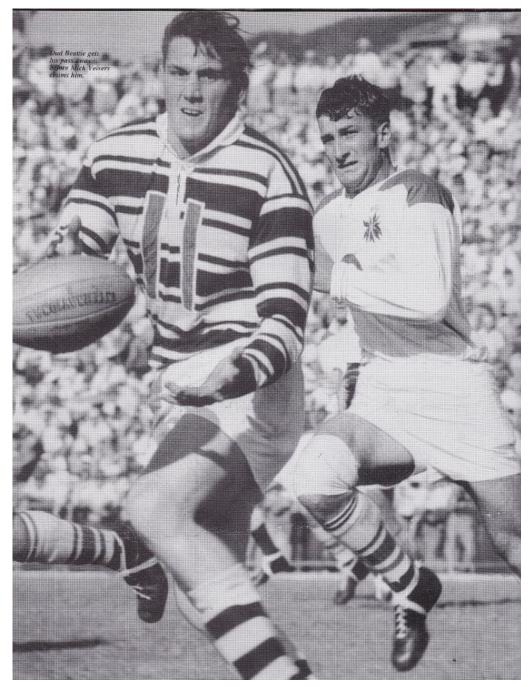
Above: Action from a Bulimba Cup game between Brisbane and Ipswich in the early 60's after the Frank Burke Stand was built (1962). Brisbane scores a try on the left and the Ipswich halfback takes the ball up on the right. **Below Left:** One of the game's first great Aboriginal players, winger Lionel Morgan, on the burst in Bulimba Cup game for Brisbane against Ipswich played at night at the Exhibition Ground. **Below Centre:** Action from another night game at the Ekka. **Below Right:** A couple of scenes from a Brisbane game against Rockhampton in 1959.













Legendary North Queensland forward Jim Paterson trying to run down the elusive Gleeson in a Brisbane-North Queensland encounter.



CITY WINGER (5) Wayne Stewart sets out for the try line in the trial City v. Country match at Lang Park, Tackling is his apposite number Doug Muir. In support is (1) Tany Scott (6) Barry Dowling (3) Glen Harrison. City won 21-20 in the last minutes.



DES MORRIS IN ACTION



Brisbane three-quarter Marty Scanlan props to pass.

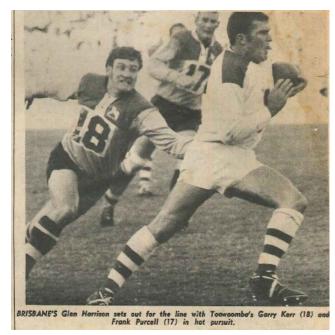




Darryl Scheiwe of Brisbane wins the scramble for the loose ball.



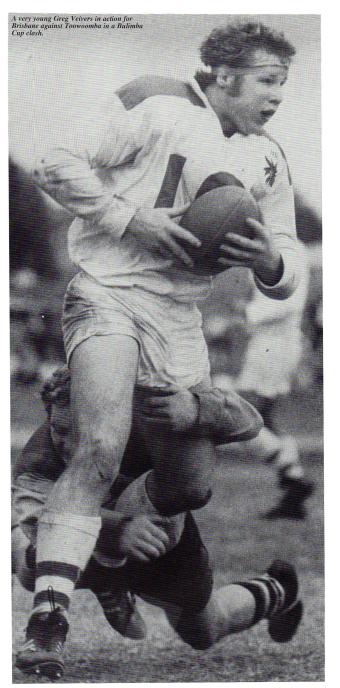
BRISBANE WINGER Wayne Stewart in action during the Bulimba Cup Final.

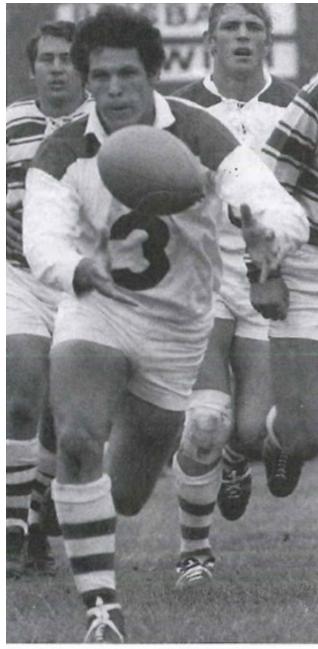


Below Left: Master coach Bob Bax. **Below Right:** Johnny Lang playing for City against Country in 1977 with a rather different Brisbane jersey.









Above: Peter Leis in action for Brisbane.



Above: Brisbane coach Arthur Beetson gives instructions to captain Wally Lewis in a 1982 KB Cup game.

Below: Mark "Muppet" Murray, Brisbane halfback strives against a Manly tackler in the 1983 KB Cup semi-final.



QUEENSLAND RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE LIMITED / BRISBANE DIVISION KB CUP SQUAD 1983

BRISBANE 38 - NORTH SYDNEY 18

BRISBANE 14 - MANLY/WARRINGAH 23

BRISBANE 54 - NSW COUNTRY 14



FRONT ROW (left to right): Bruce Astill, Greg Conescu, Wally Lewic (Capt.), Bob McCarthy (Coach), Wally Fullerton-Smith, Cavill Heugh, Terry Butler.

SECOND ROW (left to right): Brad Tessmann, Shane Bernardin, Bryan Niebling, Gordon Treichel (Co-Manager), Trevor Paterson, Brad Sully, Wayne Lindenberg.

THIRD ROW (left to right): Mitch Brennan, Gavin Jones.





Above Left: The 1984 Brisbane team that won the 1984 Panasonic Cup. Above Right and Below: Victory scenes at the end of the 1984 Panasonic Cup final that Brisbane won by 12-11 against Easts.







Above: Players relax after the 1984 Panasonic Cup final win. **Below:** Wally Lewis receives the 1984 Panasonic Cup. QRL Chairman, Ron McAuliffe, and ARL Chairman, Ken Arthurson, are seen on the left.



1984 PANASONIC CUP VICTORY COMBINED BRISBANE DEFEATED EASTS 12-11

(Photo taken after customary swapping of jerseys)







The Queensland Maroons for the Winfield Super Challenge. From left (front row) C. Mohr, B. King, G. Dowling, W. Bennett (coach), W. Lewis, A. Langer, J. Sandy, (second row) B. Bateman (manager), G. Smith, S. Carter, P. Sinclair, G. Conescu, G. Rix, T. Spencer (trainer), (back row) R. Grogan, G. Miles, A. Tessman, G. Schultz, M. Hohn, C. Scott.

The NSW Maroons for the Winfield Super Challenge. From left (front row) L. French, S. Backo, G. Belcher, B. Lindner, P. Jackson, W. Fullerton Smith, (second row) B. McCarthy (coach), K. Walters, T. Gillmeister, A. McIndoe, B. Tessmann, T. Currie, D. Turrer (manager), (back row) S. Walters, P. Benson, B. Tassell, M. Bella, L. Spina, (absent) T. Dwyer.





