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CRAZIEST SOCCEROO COACH?
VALE RUDI GUTENDORF

Football Federation Australia (FFA) is saddened to learn of the death of former Socceroos coach Rudi Gutendorf, who passed away overnight at the age of 93.

The German-born Gutendorf was in charge of the Socceroos between 1979 and 1981, leading the senior men's national team to the Oceania Cup title in 1980, a competition won with a largely Under 20-based squad.

FFA Chief Executive David Gallop AM paid tribute, saying "We are sad to learn of the passing of Rudi Gutendorf, who was a quite remarkable football coach."

"His long and illustrious career saw him coach 19 men's international teams, plus 2 Olympic teams, and the term 'globe-trotting' could certainly have been coined for him."

"Rudi is ranked eighth in terms of most Socceroos' games coached, and we are very grateful for his contribution to the game in this country during his time here from 1979 to 1981."

Gallop added, "On behalf of the entire Australian football family, we pass on our sincere condolences to Rudi's family and his many friends in football across the world."

Football historian Roy Hay said "There have been few more flamboyant coaches of the Australian national team than the peripatetic Rudi Gutendorf."

"He had been inspired to take the job by the Socceroos' performance at the FIFA World Cup in Germany in 1974, and he wanted to work with Australian-born players rather than those who had come from overseas."

"He was therefore at the vanguard of youth development and wanted to show the Australian public that football was not 'foreign' but a local and international sport."

Gutendorf's record with the Socceroos in 37 'A' and 'B' internationals was 15 wins, 10 draws and 12 losses. He finished his 49-year managerial career in 2003, having held 55 coaching positions in 32 countries.

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Wednesday 18 September 2019

Brisbane Strikers (QLD) v Moreland

Zebras FC (VIC)

Perry Park, Bowen Hills, QLD

Kick-Off: 7:30pm (local) (7:30pm (AEST))

Referee: Chris Beath

Assistant Referee 1: Anton Shchetinin

Assistant Referee 2: Ashley Beecham

Fourth Official: Adam Kersey

Streaming Broadcast: Live coverage on www.foxsports.com.au, Kayo Sports (www.kayosports.com.au) and MyFootball Live App, Live Fast and Data Free for Telstra mobile customers.

Brisbane Strikers (QLD) squad: 1.Bon SCOTT (gk), 2.Christopher MAHER, 3.Aidan BENDER, 4.Matthew RICHARDSON, 5.Lloyd CABILAN, 6.Scott HALLIDAY, 7.Fraser HILLS, 8.Ryan PALMER, 9.Andrew PENGELLY, 10.Jacob MCLEAN, 11.Zachary MALTBY, 12.Danilo KOVACEVIC, 13.Ryan RICHANI, 14.Dongyoo KIM, 15. Michael MCGOWAN, 16.Joshua MATCHAM, 17.Hiroki OMORI, 18.Cade MCDERMOTT, 19.Ioritana ENTROP, 20.Tomislav MESARIC (gk), 21.Lachlan SMITH,

Moreland Zebras FC (VIC) squad: 1.Youssef KHALED (gk), 2.Shaun TIMMINS, 3.Nicholas SYMEOY, 4. Tremayne SADLER, 5.Matthew WHATLEY, 6.Luke DEVITT, 7.Thomas PETRICCA, 8.Liam CANNELL, 9. Nicolas NIAGIORAN, 10.Thomas BARFOROSH, 11. Jakob WILLIAMS, 12.Lucien IBANDA, 13.Vasili TSOUMPRIS, 14.Marcus PETRICCA, 15.Marc MIHOCIC, 16.Balil HABIB, 17.Cameron WATSON, 18. Salvatore ACCARDO, 19.Stefan CARDAMONE, 21.Jack WEST-ASTUTI (gk), 22.Rafael TRESKA, 23.Gai GAI, 30. Fraser CHALMERS (gk),

Note: squads are subject to change without notice

NATIONAL PREMIER LEAGUES 3 NSW MEN'S - ELIMINATION SEMI FINALS

Our Grand Finalists for the 2019 National Premier Leagues 3 NSW Men's competition have been decided! Premiers Stanmore Hawks will go head to head with SD Raiders in the showcase event next weekend. Spectators were treated to two breath-taking fixtures as the semi finals took centre stage over the course of an unusually warm September weekend. Saturday's action took place at Arlington Oval as Stanmore Hawks faced off against Gladesville Ryde Magic, whilst the second semi final saw SD Raiders and Bankstown City clash at Valentine Sports Park.

STANMORE HAWKS FC – GLADESVILLE RYDE MAGIC 3-1 AFTER EXTRA TIME

Stanmore Hawks booked their finals berth with a 3-1 victory against Gladesville Ryde Magic at Arlington Oval on Saturday night.

The game could not be split over 90 minutes with 1-1 the score at the end of regulation time.

Magic custodian Kiriakos Tohouroglou was the man of the match in this tie, the veteran goalkeeper saved his side with a host of spectacular saves throughout the 120 minutes. **Tohouroglou** was first called into action on 10 minutes or so after he palmed away Angus Chance's long-distance strike before he had the woodwork to thank after Tim Wohlfiel's effort from the edge of the 18-yard area hit the post around 10 minutes later.

Arlington fell to darkness around the half hour mark after the lights switched off unexpectedly.

The malfunction delayed the match for just over 10 minutes and seem to have benefited the visitors once play resumed.

They were on the front foot following the restart however Stanmore had shot stopper Nick Carosi to thank after he came to the rescue with a string of impressive saves to keep the visitors at bay.

The first goal of the contest arrived just before half time after Peter Yannopoulos capitalised off Wohlfiel's cross at the near post.

Stanmore came close to doubling their lead on 65 minutes after Jovan Blagojevic found space in the box for his strike, however another top draw save from Tohouroglou denied the Hawks' captain.

Just over five minutes later and Magic found the equaliser via a cracking volley from captain Chris Gaitatzis on the edge of the 18-yard area. The Magic striker was assisted by Tohouroglou's inch perfect goal kick.

Gaitatzis' magical strike almost came to nothing when Stanmore's Blake Serafin had his header cleared off the line around the 80th minute mark.

That wrapped up all the action over the 90 minutes, as extra time awaited with the scores locked at 1-1.

The first half of extra time saw Gladesville's Eddie Yoong miss an open goal, before an inspired performance from the hosts in the second half of extra time saw them blow their visitors out of the park.

Jonah Caragher regained the lead for his side after the ball ricocheted into his path following an excellent solo run from Aydin Kumburlu.

The Premiers third goal of the encounter arrived via the boot of Sam Awad, the veteran headed Nathan Niski's corner into a cluster of Magic defenders before pouncing on the loose ball and thundering it into the back of the net.

Stanmore will now progress into next weekend's Grand Final, whilst the defeat spells the end for Magic in this year's competition.

SD RAIDERS – BANKSTOWN CITY FC 4-0

It was a case of third time lucky for SD Raiders after they smashed Bankstown City 4-0 in their semi final clash at Valentine Sports Park No. 2 on Sunday night.

SD RAIDERS FC 4 (Abou Serhal 10', Proia 19', Bittar 71', Barkho 90+1')