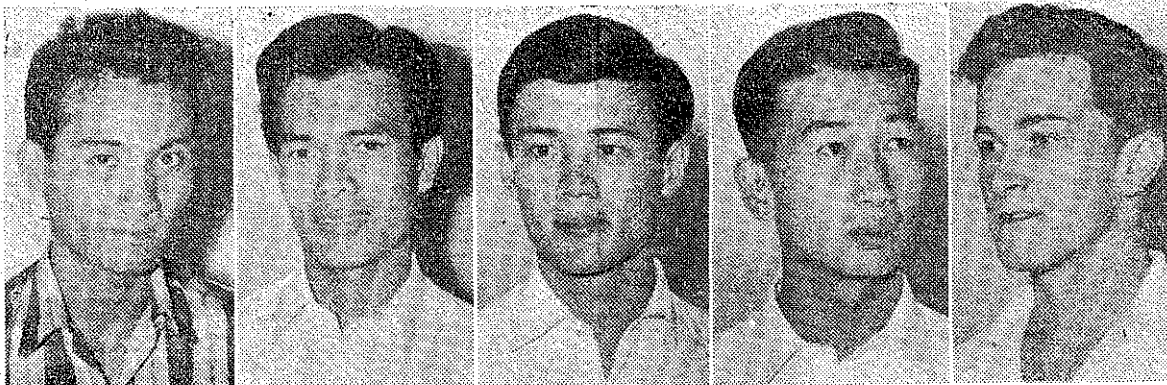


# STUDENTS GET READY FOR INTERSTATE FOOTBALL

LAST NIGHT'S pictures of five University of Queensland students who plan to compete in the inter-University Soccer carnival in Sydney on May 30 next.



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"Pom." in Bangkok land. junior Soccer star. about chances.

## Soccer breaks into University

By DICK TAINTON

UNIVERSITY of Queensland, whose traditional football code is Rugby Union, has formed a Soccer club.

This is quite an achievement. Soccer had never before been played at the University. It simply wasn't done.

Influx of students from other countries, where Soccer is the reigning code, has completely changed the University's football outlook.

University of Queensland Soccer Club plans to send a team to Sydney for the Universities' Soccer Carnival beginning on May 30 next.

Other universities competing will be Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide (title holders), and possibly Hobart.

The club was formed too late to play in the Brisbane Soccer premiership competition this season, but its pro-

motors will enter a team next year.

Soccer material from Malaya, Thailand, India, Fiji, Russia, England, and Scotland is at the club's disposal, despite which the assistant secretary, Alex Yakimoff, an engineering student of Greenslopes, is not too optimistic about the prospects at the Sydney carnival.

"We are not a terribly strong team," he said last night, "but I think that with more training and the unofficial fixtures we have arranged we shall have a reasonable chance of success."

It might be that Yakimoff is a little too modest.

### Speedy . . .

Two of the Malayan students, Basri Mohammed (political science) and Glen Ovi (medicine I), have exceptional speed as wingers.

And then there are Das Ohri, an engineering student from India, and Ruangsilpa Sukrasep (Commerce I), Vatana Asvaraksh (economics I), and Pombhejara na Pombhejara (known to the students as "Pom"), all of Thailand, who played Soccer at high school in Bangkok.

The Russian student, Benjamin Benaradski (veterinary

science), is from a country where Soccer is the national game. He plays competition Soccer with Shafston Rovers.

From the home of Soccer, England, is Tony Leaverson (medicine III) and Peter Crowley (engineering).

### Australians

There are several Australians in the team, including Malcolm Aitken (medicine III), Ron Parker (surveying III), and Jim Taylor (pure science I), who is the club's secretary, and who played competition Soccer in the Maryborough district.

Sam Chen, a son of Brisbane's consul for China, Mr. T. M. Chen, is well-known as a Soccer player in the Annerley district. He is taking a University course in commerce.

Twenty-year-old Yakimoff, who learnt to play Soccer at the East Brisbane State School, was a Brisbane schoolboy representative, and won his Queensland junior cap in 1950. He was a student at the East Brisbane Church of England Grammar School.

He said the club would have its own ground at St. Lucia next year provided the University oval was then completed.

## Soccer Notes

by Shooter

AT a meeting in the George St. Refectory, held on 15th April, the Queensland University Soccer Club was officially formed. Fifteen potential players were present and the following were elected to office.

President: M. A. Neaverson, Med. III.

Hon. Sec. J. Taylor, P.Sc. I.

Hon Treasurer: A. Metcalfe, Med. III.

Assistant Secretary: A. Yakimoff, Eng. III.

We were pleased to accept Mr. P. Jamieson's kind offer to coach the team.

We hope to enter fixtures, and play inter-Varsity in Sydney in May this year. Training is held on Wednesday's at St. Lucia, 2 p.m., and matches are on Sundays—our first fixture was played on Sunday, April 24th.

Versus Annerley Stars, 24/4/55.—Lost 6-4.

The game opened at a quick rate and each side scored two goals in the first twelve minutes. Before half-time Annerley scored another goal to make the score 3-2.

The game recommenced and University held a territorial advantage until Basri Mohammad scored from a good shot some 25 yards out, to even the scores. Soon after this University went ahead to lead 4-3.

Annerley applied pressure and scored three more goals before the close, due mainly to lack of condition of University side.

Scorers for University were Glenn Oiyé, Alex Yakimoff, Basri Mohammad and Tony Neaverson. Sam Cheu at centre-half played an outstanding game.

Chicago Cellar Club.

In order to raise funds we are holding a special "Chicago Cellar Club Dance" on Friday of this week. Features will be our dancing by Candlelight to Skippy Humphries' music.

Any person interested in joining the Club is asked to contact J. Taylor, J 5716.