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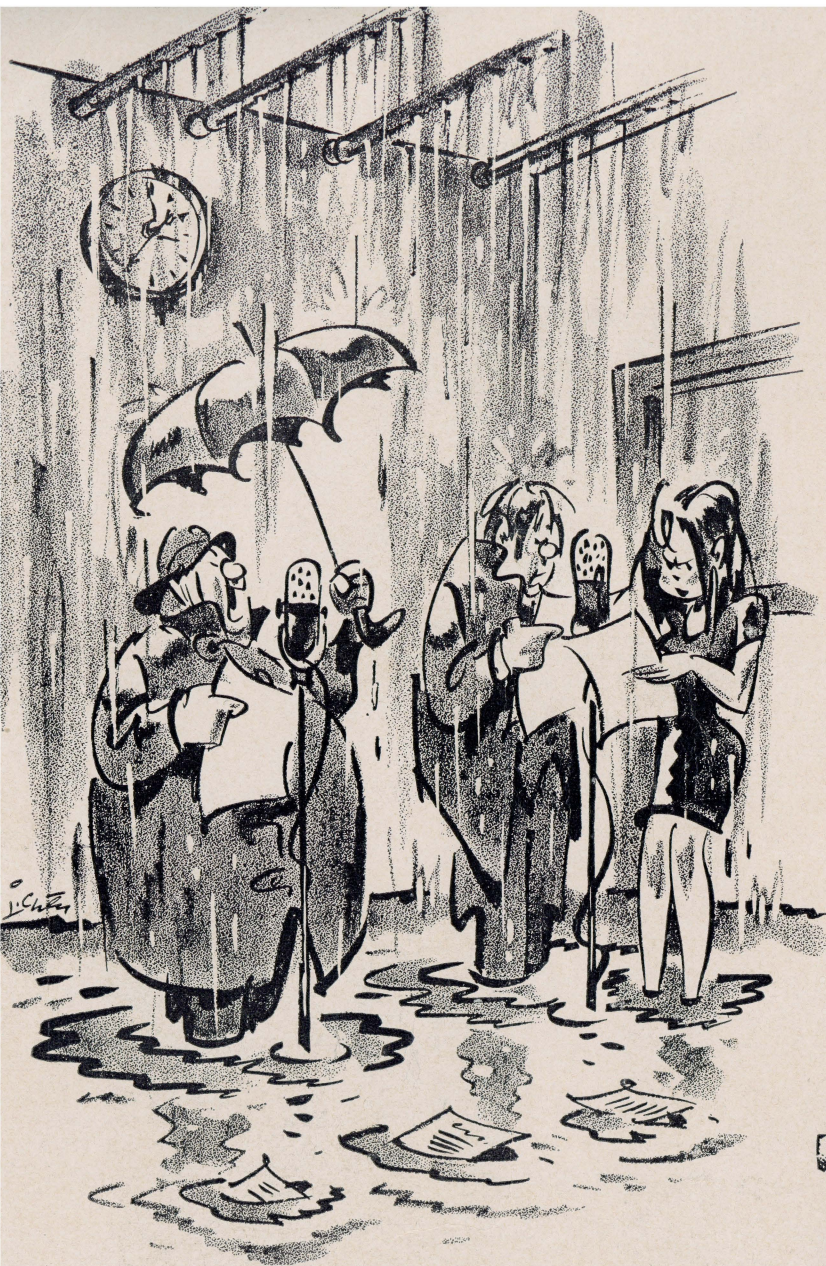
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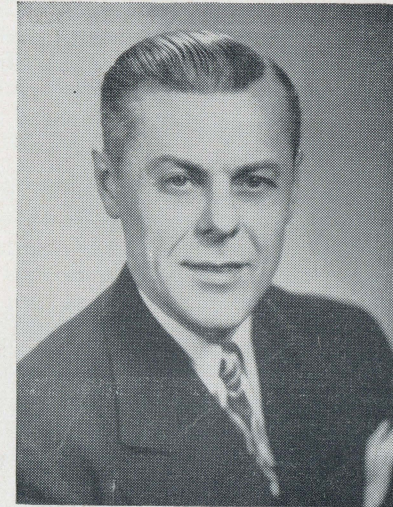
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Association Football-Socie to Soccer Football

Soccer is the most ancient game of football. When it was first played, history gives no definite record. However, Chester, England, claims it originated there in Saxon times. There is credible record in Fitzstephens History of London that in 1175 soccer football games were played, and it was the custom of boys to play the whole afternoon of Shrove Tuesday in the London fields.

Oliver Cromwell played soccer football. In the 14th century the game so attracted notice of authorities that in 1314 Edward II forbade it altogether and Edward III enacted a law against it and all other games, stating that young man took greater delight in inane pursuit of a bladder than in fitting themselves in arts of war.

Edward II forbade it on ban of imprisonment. Scottish kings also forbade it and there is still unrepealed an Act of Parliament dating from the reign of James I, of Scotland, that no man shall play football hereafter under a penalty." Edward III tried in vain to extirpate the game, but it was not to be, for it is recorded in 1497 that the High treasurer paid for James IV two shillings for footballs for the King to be used in a game played at Stirling, Scotland, in the month of April.

Interdicted by monarchs, it defied the law; banned by prelates, it survived the unslaughter; attacked by pens of writers, it outlived them all; outlawed, it flourished; criticized, it grew; and has been carried to the four corners of the globe.

It is now the national sport in fifty-four countries.

In 1823 William Webb Ellis, of Rugby School, disregarding whatever rules had been devised by that time, picked up the ball and ran with it. That was the inception of the present Rugby game, which we know, from which our American Football game came. There is a tablet in the wall of the Athletic Field at Rugby School commemorating this occasion.

To differentiate the two games, soccer was called "Association Football" all over the world; and the other game (in which the ball was handled) was called Rugby.

Londoners abbreviated the word "Association" to "socie." In later years, the word "soccer" came from socie."

Professional soccer was legalized in England in the year 1885-86. When professional soccer first started in England, it was thought that the game would not progress, but this helped to promote the popularity of the game and to become prosperous.

JOHN W. WOOD
Coach, Oak Park High School

Questions and Answers

PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE TO A TEST

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| Q. What is the length of the field of play? | Q. Give the size of the penalty area. |
| A. Not more than 130 yards not less than 100 yards. | A. Eighteen yards deep by forty-four yards wide. |
| Q. What is the breadth of the field of play? | Q. What flagstaffs should be used? |
| A. Not more than 100 yards not less than 50 yards. | A. One at each corner not less than five feet high. |
| | Q. What is the width of the goal? |
| | A. Eight yards. |

Coach

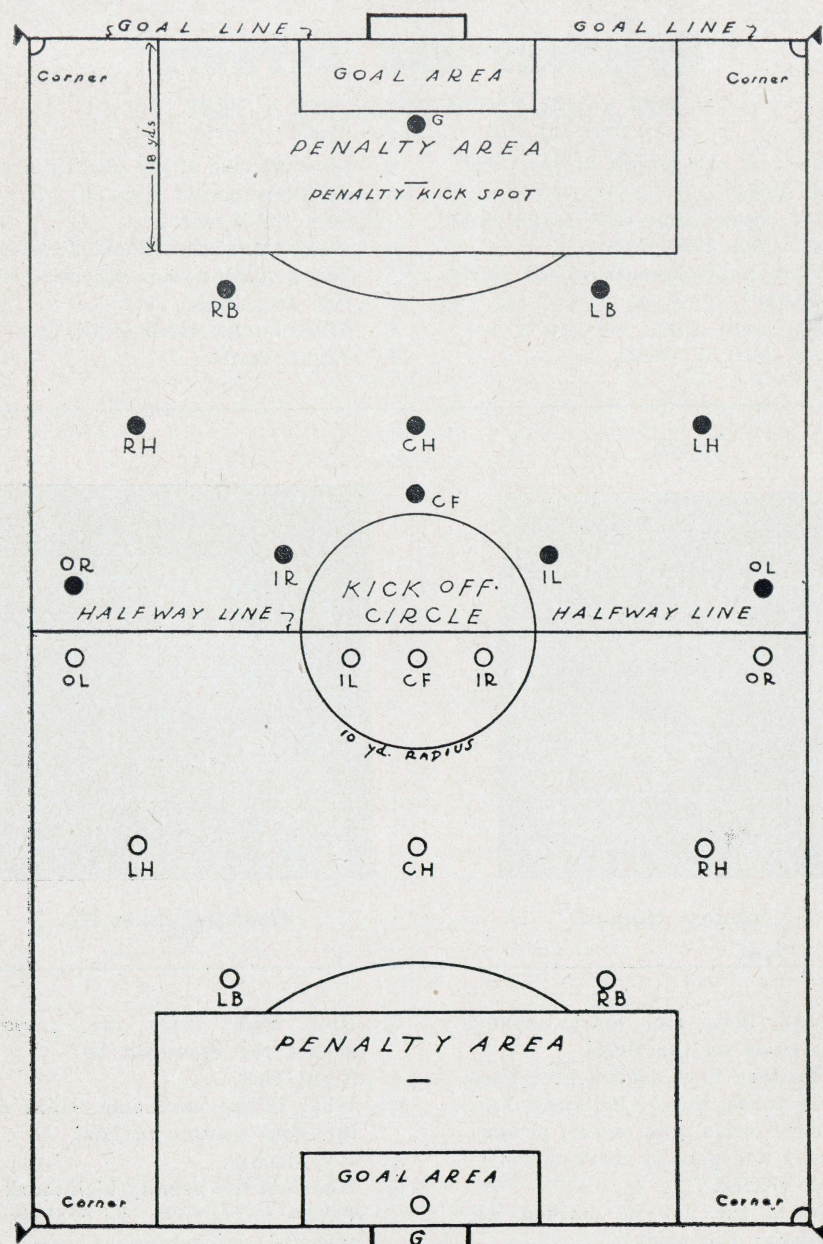


Johnny Nugent



Werner Fekker No. 1

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| Q. What lines and marks should be made on the field? | Q. How high from the ground should the cross-bar be? |
| A. Boundary lines (called goal lines and touch lines), half-way line, centre circle, goal areas, penalty areas and penalty mark and corner circles. | A. Eight feet. |
| Q. Should the line be marked out between the posts? | Q. What is the maximum width of the goal posts and bar? |
| A. Yes; this is very important. | A. Five inches. |
| Q. Give the size of the centre circle. | Q. Where is the penalty kick mark? |
| A. Ten yards radius; that is, 20 yards diameter. | A. Twelve yards from the goal line, opposite the centre of same. |
| Q. Give the size of the goal area. | Q. Where must the players stand by a penalty kick? |
| A. Six yards deep by twenty yards wide. | A. Outside the penalty area circuit with the exception of the defending goalie, and the player executing the penalty kick, but the field of play within. |



DIMENSIONS:

Field—100 to 120 yards long, 50 to 75 yards wide.

Goal—8 yards wide and 8 FEET high.

Goal Area—6 yards long and 20 yards wide.

Penalty Area—18 yards long and 44 yards wide.

Penalty Kick Mark—Midway between goal and penalty area lines.

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Rules of Soccer Football In A Nutshell

SOCCER FOOTBALL is played with eleven men on each side in two periods of 45 minutes each, unless otherwise agreed upon. Scholastic and Junior games vary as to time.

TO SCORE A GOAL, the ball must pass the line between the two goal-posts and under the cross bar, either on the ground or in the air, without being carried, knocked on, or thrown in.

THE BALL shall not be handled except by the goalkeeper, and then only within the penalty area (a zone 18 yards in front of the goal line and 18 yards from the side of the goal posts).

A FREE KICK is awarded for: handling the ball; pushing, striking, or holding an opponent; kicking, tripping, or jumping on an opponent; charging in the back or charging roughly.

A GOAL may be scored direct from a free kick for any of the above offences.

FROM ANY OTHER FREE KICK, place kick, or goal kick, the ball must be played by a second player before a goal can be scored.

IF A PLAYER OTHER THAN THE GOALKEEPER HANDLES the ball within his own penalty area, a penalty kick is awarded, which is taken from a point 12 yards from the center of the goal line.

A CORNER KICK is awarded when a player kicks the ball, or heads it, over his own goal line, which kick is taken within a radius of one yard from the corner on the side of which the ball crossed the line. A goal can be scored direct from a corner kick.

A THROW-IN is awarded if a player kicks or heads the ball over the touch line. A player of the opposing side throws the ball in, over his head, facing the field, having a part of both feet on the ground. When a throw-in is improperly made, the throw-in is awarded to the opposing side.

A PLAYER IS ONSIDE when there are two opponents nearer to the goal than himself at the time the ball is passed to him, and he must be Onside to score a goal.

A PLAYER IS OFFSIDE when there are not two opposing players nearer the goal than himself except:—From a goal kick; a corner kick;; a throw-in; a referee-ball; when he is behind the ball when the pass is given; and when the ball comes from an opponent; or in his own half of the field.

SOCCER FOOTBALL FACTS

THE FINEST, FASTEST, MOST SCIENTIFIC SPORT

DO YOU KNOW, for instance, that soccer has for years captivated the imagination of nations all over the world?

DO YOU KNOW, for example, that Soccer draws as many as 150,000 spectators to Cup games in Europe and South America, and that 40 to 50 thousand is an average attendance?

DO YOU KNOW that Soccer is more scientific than football, more graceful than tennis, more consistently fast than hockey, more exciting than baseball? In short, that it is a game which combines the best in all outdoor sports?

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. What should be the size and weight of the ball?

A. Not more than 28 inches, not less than 27 inches. It's weight at the start of the game should be between 13 and 15 ounces.

Q. When may a player come on the field?

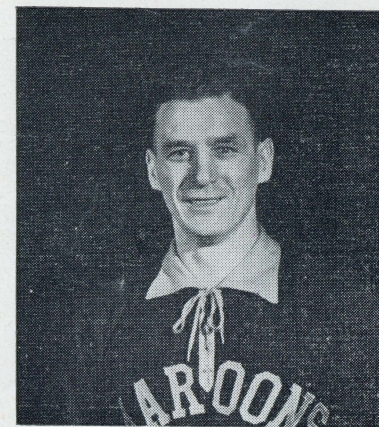
A. Any time, provided he notifies the referee.

Q. If the goal-keeper prevented the ball going in, by pulling down the cross bar, what would you give?

A. Goal.

Q. If the ball struck the referee or a linesman, during the game, would you take any action, or stop the game?

A. No.



Alex Robb No. 13

Q. When may a player leave the field during play?

A. In case of accident, or also by permission of the referee.

Q. How long should the game last?

A. Ninety minutes, unless it is agreed to play less.

Q. How is the kick-off to be taken?

A. The ball must stand ten yards ward. The kicker must not play the ball again until it has been played by another player.

Q. When is the ball considered to have been played?

A. When it has travelled the distance equal to its circumference.

Q. Must the opponents keep away from the ball while it is being kicked off?

A. Yes; they must stand ten yards away, and they must not cross the half-way line until the kick is actually taken.

Q. If a goal-keeper dislodged the cross-bar, and the ball passed between the posts, would you give a goal?

A. Yes; if there is no doubt about its passing underneath where the bar should be.

Q. Who kicks off after a goal is scored?

A. The team last scored against.



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