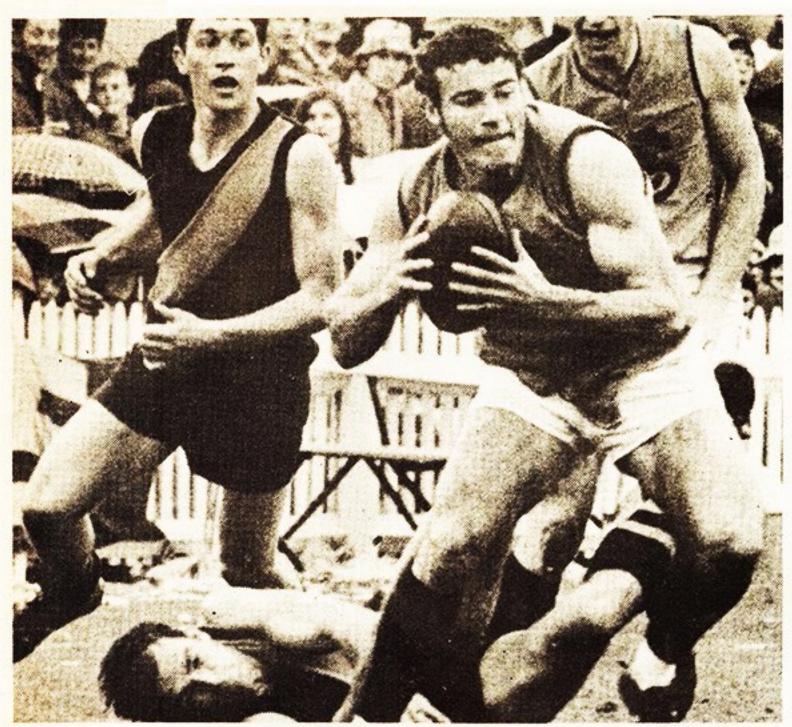
1970 GRAND FINAL GIER





 John Tilbrook, three goals in the 1970 Grand Final and best on ground in 1969, breaks away from a pack.



 Umpire Murray Ducker took charge of the 1970 Grand Final, in which Sturt scored a 21-point victory over Glenelg.



 Keith Pattinson kicked two goals in the 1970 Final, and was amongst the Bay's Best in 1969.

Sturt 1.4 4.6 8.10 12.13 85 Glenelg 3.6 4.8 5.10 9.10 64

GOALKICKERS -- STURT: Greenslade 6.1, Tilbrook 3.1, Burgan 1.2, Shearman 1.0, Wild 1.0, Endersbee 0.3, Ottens 0.2, Friedrichs 0.1, rushed 0.3. GLENELG: D. Phillis 4.2, Pattinson 2.2, Button 1.2, Sandland 1.1, Cornes 1.0, Rawson 0.1, Crabb 0.1, rushed 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS - STURT: Bagshaw, Greenslade, Adcock, Rigney, Endersbee, Brooks, Burgan, Schoff, Wild. GLENELG: Marker, Rosewarne, Sandland, Kernahan, Colbey, Cornes, Voigt.

UMPIRE - Murray Ducker. ATTENDANCE - 48 575. The 1970 Grand Final between Sturt and Glenelg began in shocking conditions with rain pouring down, the ground muddy, slippery and holding a lot of water.

Ken Eustice won the toss for Glenelg and nominated the southern end.

The game opened fiercely with miskicks predominant as players fought to achieve an advantage.

Glenelg attacked solidly in the opening 10 minutes. Phillis goaled but relatively easy shots from Rawson and Button were off target.

Glenelg had three goals before Sturt's first came from Bob Shearman at the 22-minute mark, but Sturt looked anything but comfortable at the first change.

Sturt recovered quickly in the second quarter, with Paul Bagshaw outstanding around the bounces and in general field play. He was handling the conditions magnificently.

The Double Blues worked the ball well down to Malcolm Greenslade who was proving too much for Neville Caldwell and finished the quarter with three goals. At half-time the Tigers' lead was two points and the stage was set for a thriller.

The third quarter belonged to Sturt.

A goal to Burgan, two more goals to Greenslade and one to ruckman Greg Wild were answered with only one goal – from Glenelg ruckman Graham Cornes.

Bagshaw continued to do as he pleased, and the Tigers lost the drive they had been getting from Peter Marker at centre.

The final term opened sensationally.

Glenelg had two goals - from Sandland and Phillis - in two minutes.

Greenslade steadied for his sixth goal and then Tilbrook exploded with two great goals. But Glenelg did not give in and Phillis and Button replied.

At the 16-minute mark and leading by 13 points, Sturt finally took command. Great work by Adçock ensured that Glenelg did not penetrate after this point.

Bagshaw and Chessell steadied and the Blues finished on top to take out their fifth premiership in a row.