EPIC LAST TERM



GERRY HARRISON

In a cliff-hanger finish C'trols 1-5 to a gruelling encounter at Elizabeth Oval, Centrals took the lead four minutes into the time-on period to snatch victory from Glenelg.

The ending was a fitting result to a which game fortunes fluctuated all day.

Entering the time-on period of th final term. Centrals trailed by 11 points, and it appeared as though Gleneig were certainties to win.

However, a magnificent snap goal from the boundary line by Norsworthy lifted the Bulldogs and they finished all over the Bays.

It was a free kick to Mulholland, 40 yards out and in front, which eventually gave the Bull-

dogs victory. But befoer this, Centrals had wasted unlimited opportunities to seal thet game, and it ap-peared as though they just did not know how to

Glen.

For three minutes solid they subjected the Glenelg defence to incessant pressure, but let them off the hook with mistakes. such as kicking out of play on the full when in a scoring position.

Key figure

Perhaps the most telling factor in the Bulldogs' tenacious win was the dominance of their half-back-line.

Andrews Although spoilt his game by allowing Sandland to slip away twice in the final term for two goals, his overall performance had an undeniable influence on the game.

Sandland was the key figure in Glenelg's thin attack, and they directed the ball through him whenever possible.

Across centre, Centrals mainly held sway efforts through the Casof Vivian and serly, and they comb.ned extremely well with an elasive half-forward line.

Casserly's organising and manner in which he

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brought other players into the game were a so contributing factors in the Bulldogs' victory.

Spasms

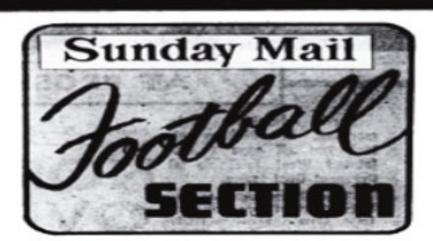
Rosewarne Although offered stout resistance and did good work for the Bays, he was unable to combine well with his team-mates.

This, in fact, was the story of the whole Glenelg side, who lacked cohesion for most of the game.

Two bursts in the first quarter - three goals in three minutes and two goals in two minuteswere the only spasms of methodical football produced by the Bays until the final term.

Both sides committed a least of errors—the seven-minutes to the 15minute mark of the second term in particular

being pitiful. However, Centrals were able to produce more positive periods, as they had more players backing-up and capable of kicking longer.



REDLEGS, N BAYS '4' DUEL



SAM GALLAGHER

Glenelg Norwood and meet at the Bay next week in a clash that could well decide fourth place in the major round.

> This follows Central Districts' thrilling lastminute victory over the Tigers at Elizabeth.

> The Bulldogs' win was their second in three games over one of the league leaders.

> Today, they came back from the brink of defeat to justify predictions that they would play a decisive role in shaping the final four.

> Defeat next week, with games against North at Prospect and Sturt at Unley to follow, would almost certainly put Henelg out of the run-

> Defeat for Norwood would be equally damaging. The Redlegs next three games are against Centrals at Norwood, Fouth at Norwood, and Fort at Alberton.

..AND AT A GLANCE

AT PROSPECT

2nd 3rd Final Pts. 9-6 15-11 17-13 115

SCORERS.-NORTH: N. Sachse 6.2, Hearl 2.3, Bamford 2.2, Robran 2.2, Anderson 2.0, O'Shannassy 1.1, M. Francou 1.1, Von Bertouch 1.0, Lindner 0.1, rushed 0.1. WEST: Jonas 4.3, Farmer 2.1, Fraser 1.1, Pannenburg 1.1, Russian 1.0, McDonald 1.0, Wallis 0.2, Haupt 0.2, Plew 0.1, Burkett 0.1, rushed

BEST PLAYERS.-NORTH: Anderson, Burns, Phillips, Paull, Bamford, Sachse, Wilkey, Webb, Lehmann. WEST: Pope, Loveday, Thompson, Fraser, Day, Leonard, Plew, Wallis, Jonas. REPLACEMENTS.—NORTH: Webb (shoulder and

leg) by Norton, last term. Robran (ankle) by Stringer, last term. WEST: Barry (cramp) by Haupt, three-quarter time. Burkett (bruised thigh) by Milsom, last term. UMPIRE.-P. Craig.

AT ADELAIDE

Final Pts. 3rd 1st Sturt 9—17 8-14 10-15 South 2—7

SCORERS.—STURT: Tilbrook 3.5, Greenslade 2.5, Nunan 2.2, Shearman 1.3, Ottens 1.2, Wild 1.1, Rigney 0.2, Burgan 0.2, Friedrichs 0.2, Bagshaw 0.1, rushed 0.1. SOUTH: Coombe 3.1, Darley 2.1, Backman 2.1, Ryan 2.0, Howlett 1.2, Bowden 0.2, Goodwin 0.2, Pascoe 0.1, McCarthy 0.1, Trengove 0.1, rushed 0.3.

BEST PLAYERS.—STURT: Bagshaw, Chessell, Nelson, Nunan, Jarrett, Wild, Short, Adcock. SOUTH: Coombe, Backman, Cock, Darley, Palmer, Mausley, Pascoe, McCarthy.
REPLACEMENTS.—STURT: Hicks by Whittaker,

last term. SOUTH: Backman (shoulder) by Judd,

UMPIRE.-R. Bennet

AT NORWOOD

Final 3rd 1st 10—12 Nwd. Wdv.

SCORERS-NORWOOD: Woodcock 3.4, Coligan 3.2. Wynne 2.3. Pettingill 1.3. R. Oatey 1.0. P. Oatey 1.0. Woolford 0.2. rushed 0.1. WOODVILLE: Roache 3.2. Sewer 1.2. Blight 1.1. Barbary 1.1. Winstantey 0.2. MacVicar 0.2. Christie 0.1. Buckley 0.1. Girardi 0.1. Simunsen 0.1. rushed 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS — NORWOOD: Woodcock, Wynne, Murphy, Kingston, Mulraney, Poulter, McInnes. WOODVILLE: Simunsen Allen, Olgilvie, Cummins, Roache, Blight, Sewer and Barbary

Cummins, Roache, Blight, Sewer and Barbary.
REPLACEMENTS-NORWOOD: P. Oatey by

Flavel, last term. Poulter by Goodale, last term, WOODVILLE: Buckley (thigh) by Roache, third term. Girardi by Edwards, last term.

UMPIRE-Murray Ducker.

AT THEBARTON

Port 12-10 14-17 Torr. 4__6 7__9

SCORERS-PORT: J. Cahill 6.1, Freeman 2.3, Sorrell 2.1, Haslam 1.3, Broadbridge 1.3, Ebert 1.2, Woite 0.2, McGie 0.1, Nyland 0.1. TORRENS: Tierney 4.5, Willats 1.1, Phillipou 1.0, Pavlich 1.0, Gibson 0.1, Butler 0.1, Floreani 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: J. Cahill, Errey, Ebert,

Nyland, Light, D. Cahill, Obst. Woite. TORRENS:
Butler, Tierney, Birt, Ettridge, Gould, Floreani,
Wildy, Stevens.

REPLACEMENTS — PORT: Obst (pulled thigh

muscle) by Baker, last term. UMPIRE—D. Foster.

AT ELIZABETH

Pts. 3rd Final 2nd 1st Cent. Glen.

BEST PLAYERS-CENTRALS: Vivian, Casserly, Mobbs, Daly, Johns, Davis, Nicks, Andrews, Nors-worthy, GLENELG: Voigt, Caldwell, Moss, Marker, Rosewarne, Sandland, Rawson, Osborn.

SCORERS — CENTRALS: Johns 3.1, Daly 2.4, Mobbs 2.1, Mulholland 2.0, Norsworthy 1.2, Saywell 0.3, Morey 0.2, O'Connor 0.1, Skinner 0.1, rushed 0.1. GLENELG: Voigt 4.1, Sandland 3.0, D. Phillis 2.1, Osborn 1.0, Rosewarne 1.0, Marker 0.2, Anesbury 0.2, W. Phillis 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS — CENTRALS: Fairclough

(wrenched knee) by Jones, last term. GLENELG: Hunt (groin) by Button, three-quarter time. UMPIRE—M. O'Connell.

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Today
D. K. Phillis (G'nelg)	2-1	15	74-44
Greenslade (Sturt)	2-5	15	63-55
Coligan (Norwood)	3-2	15	53-33
Tierney (Torrens)	4-5	12	48-29
Freeman (Port)	2-3	13	47-50
Jonas (West)	4-3	16	46-34
Howlett (South)	1-2	16	42-40

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

				Points Prem.					
	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%		
Sturt	16	_	_	1798	1141	32	61.17		
Port	-14 .	2	-	1747	1198	28	59.32		
North	10	6	-	1742	1291	20	57.43		
Glenelg	9	7	-	1674	1572	18	51.57		
Norwood	8	7	1	1424	1508	17	48 56		
Torrens	6	10	_	1439	1607	12	47.24		
West	5	10	1	1188	1478	11	44.56		
Woodville	5	11	_	1360	1727	10	44.05		
Centrals	4	12	_	1312	1585	8	45.28		
South	2	14	-	1173	1750	4	40.13		

DIFFICULT

Although Norwood could lose next week and still be half a game up coming to the last round. their engagement with Port at Alberton is much more difficult than the Bays' draw against Torrens at Glenelg.

Sturt maintained their unbeaten record with an 11-point win over bottom team South at Adelaide. but once again the Blues were under pressure until late in the game.

Over the next two weeks. Sturt will be under heavy pressure to remain unbeaten.

They meet North at Unley and Port at Alber-

North, with Peter Anderson giving their rucks a tremendous boost, were convincing winners over West today.

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide			ī				5,384
Elizabeth							4,384
Norwood						7	4,630
Prospect							4.770
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NEXT WEEK

Season total .. 656,431 1569 681,117

25,162

Glenelg v. Norwood (Glenelg) Sturt v. North (Unley) Central v. Torrens (Elizabeth) West v. South (Richmond) Woodville v. Port (Woodville)