N BULLDOGS



By Alan Shiell

Can Centrals get into the final four for the first time in their eight-season league career?

That is league football's \$64 question following today's sixteenth round of league games.

Port, North, and Sturt are assured

of playing in the finals, But Norwood are in the "hot seat." The Redlegs are only one win (two points) ahead of Centrals.

Norwood also hold a useful percentage advantage over Centrals. The position could be the same

after next Saturday. Centrals play Sturt at Elizabeth

and Norwood meet Port at Alberton. If the games go as expected, Sturt and Port will win.

But if Centrals beat Sturt and Norwood lose to Port, the Buildogs will have a great chance of playing in their first first semi-final.

Centrals would draw level on points with Norwood, although they would still trail Norwood on percentage provided Norwood were beaten, but not annihilated, by Port.

The game which could decide fourth position is the Norwood-Centrals battle at Norwood Oval next Saturday week.

If Norwood win, and win well, they almost certainly will retain fourth position in the final four.

Centrals beat Norwood by seven points when the teams met at Elizabeth Oval in the ninth round this

The last three games for Norwood and Centrals are:

NORWOOD—West (Richmond). (Thebarton). Torrens Woodville (Norwood).

CENTRALS—Torrens (Adelaide). South (Adelaide), West (Elizabeth). On present form, Centrals would be more certain of winning their last three games than would Norwood.

Centrals, who have never lacked confidence in their own ability, must be bubbling over with enthusiasm at the moment.

Norwood must be very worried, particularly in view of their disappointting effort against Sturt at the Parade today.

Gleneig's slim hopes of staying in the fight for fourth position ended with a 28-point loss to North at Prospect.

West and Woodville, who have the poorest followings of all league clubs drew a paltry 1.779 spectators to their game at Woodville Oval today.

AT PROSPECT

Out of form Glenelg were no match for North who clinched the game in the second quarter.

The Bays just never had enough players like Cornes, Marker and Colbev.

Their method of blocking Barrie Robran was fruitful, but his brother Rodney ran riot at centre

half-forward. The Bays' opening was full of promise. They were first to the ball and looked like running away with the game.

It was inaccuracy in front of goals that brought their defeat.

Gateway

For Glenelg to be a force Fred Phillis must fire. But this did not hap-

pen until the last term. By then the game was over. The Bays, however, showed some weakness in North's game by kicking

five goals in the last term. North's gateway to a win was started by captain the Bays goalless.

coach Mike Patterson. term they really came to life and kicked 8-2 to 1-2.

Most attacking moves came from Patterson who, with clever bodywork, and Rodney Robran right into the game.

This player from his opponents.

But the whole of the North team left their forward line wide open. other The

across centre at the centre bounce.

How the Bay defence couraging. allowed this to happen so often amazed me but it his best with high mark- his position early.



BAYS HAVE

term. North capitalised. Up to this point Glenelg had only a few players were hard to beat in the

that won positions. Mainly Cornes, Marker,

Moss, and Colbey. more into their grasp, North had all of their for- in the last term, wards burning.

North well into the third term began to ease the

pressure. They themselves only posted three goals in the third term while they kept

The Bays improved in After their even first the last term when North

eased the pressure after two quick goals. They got a lift in ruck

from Wayne Phillis. Osborn shifted to centre wing decisive handball brought and began winning the

Consequently they had possesses their best term, and had the ability to slip free they showed these skills in the opening, they may have pushed North.

North had many good players. Although forwards, ney Robran may have the Glenelg player was a other than Sachse at full been their best, due to his clear winner. forward, were all working great second term, the lift they received from Peter worthy of a mention were Anderson's game was en- Moss, either full back or

went on for most of the ing, strong body work and long kicking.

Both he and Kevin Barr last line of defence for

three terms. But Barr sometimes al-But as the game came lowed Fred Phillis to get free and post three goals

Prominent

North covered these replacements. Bemford for Von Bertouch was a real winner, while both Hearl and Schulz were very prominent across half-for-

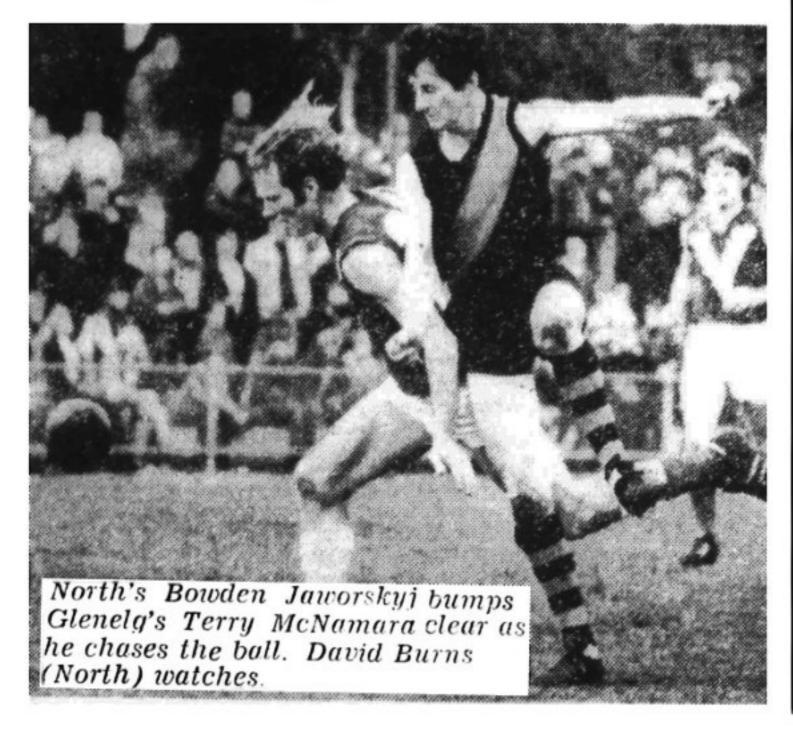
ward. North back lines were well on top, Jaworskyj was a winner at centre halfback and Francou and

Bamford would have been the best rovers afield. Glenelg's few good players were led by lion-

hearted Graham Cornes. He was in everything for the Bays and with Marker was the only player to oppose North in the air.

Marker had a great duel Rod- with Barrie Robran, but

The only other players centre half-back, and Col-This player was back to bey at half-back, who held



DETAILS

AT NORWOOD

15-13 21-16 142

BEST PLAYERS.-STURT: Shearman, Ottens, Friedrichs, Nunan, Short, Bagshaw. Davies, Wild, Adock. NORWOOD: R. Oatey, P. Oatey, Menz, Rosser, Wright Gregg, Pettingill.

SCORERS—STURT: Greenslade 5-5, Schoff 5-3.

Ottens 4-1, Wild 2-1, Friedrichs 1-2, Winter 1-1, Bagshaw 1-0, Graham 1-0, Davies 1-0. Shearman 0-2, rushed 0-1, NORWOOD: Pettingill 3-1. Rosser 2-1, Wynne 2-1, Woodcock 2-0, Seekamp 1-1, Button 1-1, Roach 1-0, P. Oatey 0-3, R. Oatey 0-1, rushed 0-2.

REPLACEMENTS-STURT: Brooks, by Martin, last term.

UMPIRE—Des Foster

AT PROSPECT

North Glen.

BEST PLAYERS-NORTH: R. Robran, Anderson, Francou, Barr, Jaworskyj, Patterson, Hearl, GLENELG: Cornes, Marker, Moss, Colbey, Carey,

SCORERS-NORTH: R. Robran 3.2, Bamford 20, Hearl 2.1, Sachse 1.4, Patterson 1.1, Francou 1.0. Schulz 1.0, Webb 1.0, B. Robran 1.0, Ford 1.0. Anderson 0.1. GLENELG: D. K. Phillis 3.4. Sandland 1.3. Marriott 1.2. Carey 1.1. Fitzgerald 1.1. Pattinson 1.0. Rawson 0.2. Cornes 0.1. rushed 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS-NORTH: Bamford (hamstring), third term by Ford. Patterson, last term by Norton. GLENELG: Pattinson (thigh), halftime by McNamara. McFarlane by Goldfinch, last term.

UMPIRE-M. C. O'Connell.

AT WOODVILLE

2nd Final Pts. Wdv. 13-10 15-11 9-11 13-15 West

BEST PLAYERS - WOODVILLE: Ruth, Allen, Blight, Huppatz, Heaven, Stemper, Cummins, Peters. WEST: Leonard, Fraser G. Hewitt, Bandy. Loveday, Plew. Haupt, Burkett.

SCORERS-WOODVILLE: Ruth 5.1, Hansch 3.1. Roache 2.2. Blight 2.1. MacVicar 1.1, Huppatz 1.1, Peters 1.1. Girardi 0.1. Cummins 0.1. Heaven 0.1. WEST: Jonas 5.4. Bandy 4.2. Hewitt 3.3, Milsom 10. MacDonald 0.2. Pope 0.2. Noonan 0.1. Fraser

REPLACEMENTS-WOODVILLE: Willmott by Stone in third term. Hansett by Buckley in last term. WEST: J. Ryan (bruised thigh) by Jonas at half-time Plew (cramp) by Hooper in last

UMPIRE—Bob Scholefield.

AT ADELAIDE

Final 2nd Pts. 3rd

BEST PLAYERS-PORT: Ebert. Beswick. Kingston, J. Cahill, Cunningham, Broadbridge, D. Cahill, Woite SOUTH: Bais, Ronaldson White, Backman, Hunt, Jones. McCarthy, Palmer Mousley. Good-

SCORERS-PORT: Gerlach 4.3, J. Cahill 2.2, Milde 2.0, Marrett 2.0, Freeman 1.4, Sorrell 1.2, Cunningham 1.0, Woite 0.1, Haslam 0.1, Nyland 0.1, Light 0.1, rushed 0.2. SOUTH: Backman 2.1, Ryan 2.0, Jones 1.2, White 1.2, Gordon 1.1, Ronaldson 1.0, I. Post 0.3, Murphy 0.2, Cloonan 0.1. Hurst 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS-PORT: McGie (broken leg) replaced by Burton in the second term. Freeman (pulled hamstring) replaced by Marrett in the third term. SOUTH: Griffiths (stitched eye) replaced by I. Post at half-time. Gordon (cramp) replaced by M. Joseph in the final term.

UMPIRE-W. Noonan.

THEBARTON

2nd Pts. Final Cent. orr.

BEST PLAYERS - CENTRALS: Mulholland. Casserly, Haughan, Norsworthy, Vivian, Cochrane, Saywell, Farnham, Skinner, TORRENS: Fielke, Miller, Shallow, Smart, Phillipou, McSporran, Graham, White, Faletic.

SCORERS-CENTRALS: Saywell 5.0, Jones 3.1, Haughan 3.0, Mulholland 2.3, Cochrane 2.1, Johns 2.0, Skinner 1.2, Casserly 1.1, Moore 1.0, Norsworthy 0.2. TORRENS: Phillipou 3.2, Shallow 3.2, Fielke 3.1, Miller 2.2. Ball 2.1. White 1.0. Dabrowski 1.1. McSporran 1.0. Cousins 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS - CENTRALS: Casserly by Wyley and Mulholland by Burton, last quarter, TORRENS: Simmons (broken finger) by Cousins at half-time. Dabrowski by Bavey last quarter. UMPIRE—M. Ducker.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

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F20 80		W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%		
Port .		13	3	1761	206	26	59.35		
North		13	3	1607	1290	26	55.47		
Sturt		12	4	1660	1041	24	61.45		
Norwood		9	7	1628	1458	18	52.75		
Centrals		8	8	1620	1557	16	50.99		
Glenelg		7	9	1583	1626	14	49.33		
South		5	11	1327	1568	10	45.83		
West .		5	11	1291	1540	10	45.60		
Torrens		4	12	1128	1437	8	43.97		
Woodville		4	12	1241	2123	8	36.89		

NEXT WEEK Port v. Norwood (Alberton)

Centrals v. Sturt (Elizabeth) North v. South (Prospect) West v. Glenelg (Richmond) Woodville v. Torrens (Woodville)

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D. K. Phillis (Glenelg)		3-4	16	70-45
Jones (Centrals)		3-1	16	66-32
Howlett (South)		_	15	49-33
R. Woodcock (Norwood)		2-0	16	47-25
Greenslade Sturt)		5-5	10	45-34
Saywell (Centrals)		5-0	16	44-18
Freeman (Port)		1-4	14	40-42
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