

MAIL FOOTBALL.....FIRST FOR FOOTBALL

ALL LEAGUE DETAILS

AT UNLEY

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	2-4	8-6	11-12	17-15	117
North	4-2	9-7	14-11	15-14	104

SCORERS—STURT: Greenslade 6.3, Whelan 3.3, Nunan 3.1, Graham 2.1, Bagshaw 1.2, Casey 1.2, Miels 1.0, Davies 0.1, Ottens 0.1, rushed 0.1. NORTH: Hearl 4.0, D. Sachse 3.5, Marsh 3.1, Spry 1.2, Morton 1.2, Von Bertouch 1.0, Schubert 1.0, B. Robran 1.0, Payne 0.2, R. Robran 0.2.

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Davies, Nunan, Graham, Adcock, Bagshaw, Greenslade, Klomp. NORTH: B. Robran, Marsh, Hearl, N. Sachse, Hammond, Stringer.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Nelson (knee) by Lauder, three-quarter time. NORTH: Morton by Eichner, last term.

UMPIRE—Bill Noonan.

AT GLENELG

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	4-7	13-10	20-15	27-19	181
Cent.	7-3	10-6	13-12	20-14	134

SCORERS—GLENELG: D. K. Phillis 9.4, Carey 6.0, Sandland 4.4, Voigt 2.4, Wickens 2.2, Marriott 2.0, Cornes 1.1, Hamilton 1.0, Caldwell 0.2, Marker 0.1, Bennett 0.1. CENTRALS: Haughan 5.3, W. Cochrane 5.1, Saywell 3.1, Moore, 2.1, Nicks 1.2, Reed 1.1, Russell 1.1, Vivian 1.0, Spaans 1.0, Norsworthy 0.2, Casserly 0.1, rushed 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Cornes, Marker, Carey, Voigt, Millard, Marriott, Wickens, W. Phillis. CENTRALS: Morey, W. Cochrane, Norsworthy, Farnham, Haughan, Nicks, Vivian.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: Hamilton (slight concussion) by Lipp at three-quarter time. Marriott by Bennett in the final term. CENTRALS: Spaans and Reed by Russell and Marsh at three-quarter time.

UMPIRE—Des Foster.

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torr.	4-5	7-9	14-14	17-20	122
South	4-4	7-9	9-11	12-15	87

SCORERS—TORRENS: Mulvihill 4.6, Watson 3.3, Roberts 2.5, Pill 2.0, Floreani 2.0, Puhle 1.0, Miller 1.0, McKenzie 1.0, Kelly 1.0, Wallace 0.3, Shallow 0.1, Graham 0.1, Smart 0.1. SOUTH: Dittmar 4.2, Howlett 3.3, Earl 2.2, Hateley 1.2, Harris 1.0, Griffiths 1.2, Coombe 0.2, Darley 0.1, Goodwin 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—TORRENS: Pavlich, Kelly, Watson, McKenzie, Wallace, Floreani, Roberts, B. Bills. SOUTH: Coombe, Haines, Bracegirdle, Jackman, Hateley, Darley.

REPLACEMENTS — TORRENS: F. Bills (strained back) by Clark in the third quarter, Pavlich (cramp) by Fielke in the last. SOUTH: Goodwin by Kearney and Jackman by Williams in the last quarter.

UMPIRE—Peter Craig.

AT WOODVILLE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	5-3	8-7	13-11	16-15	111
Wdv.	1-7	4-10	10-12	15-15	105

SCORERS.—WEST: Hunt 3.4, Pannenburg 3.0, Bamford 2.2, Nicholson 2.2, Kellet 2.0, Gurney 1.1, Kuhman 1.0, Morris 1.0, Hollick 1.0, Loveday 0.1, Verrier 0.1, Leonard 0.1, Pope 0.1, rushed 0.2. WOODVILLE: Sewer 4.3, Doszna 3.2, Ruth 3.1, Tyrell 1.1, J. Brenton 1.1, Holland 1.0, Girardi 1.0, Wilmott 1.0, Mitchell 0.2, Blight 0.2, Peters 0.1, rushed 0.2.

BEST PLAYERS.—WEST: Keddie, Nicholson, Hollick, Morris, Hunt, Pope. WOODVILLE: Sewer, Cummins, Stemper, Ruth, Mitchell, Holland.

REPLACEMENTS.—WEST: Pannenburg (jarred knee, second quarter, replaced Schapel), Hollick (hip injury, last quarter, replaced by Oliver). WOODVILLE: Holland (cramp, three-quarter time, replaced by Allen), Fowles, replaced by Cox last quarter, injury, Huppertz (bruised thigh).

UMPIRE.—Murray Ducker.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Glenelg	6	6	—	930	528	12	63.78
Port	5	4	1	616	458	8	57.35
North	6	4	2	686	581	8	54.14
Sturt	6	4	2	679	578	8	54.01
Centrals	6	3	3	609	632	6	49.07
Woodville	6	2	4	699	766	4	47.71
Norwood	5	2	3	478	611	4	43.89
South	6	2	4	515	748	4	40.77
West	6	1	5	518	635	2	44.92
Torrens	6	1	5	485	678	2	41.70

STURT HIT BACK: GREAT WIN

THE Tigers were on top for most of the day at the Bay —just like Peter Anderson as he flies over a Centrals player and team-mate Bob Tregenza. The Bulldogs' David Saywell (No. 31) and Bill Cochrane watch the ball land safely in Anderson's arms.



Sturt's surprise win over North ... Torrens and West recording first wins for the season ... Glenelg maintaining their unbeaten run and kicking 20 or more goals for the sixth successive game.

They were the highlights of yesterday's sixth round of league football.

For North, last season's premiers and Australian champions, it was their second loss in the past three matches. (They lost to Port by 21 points on Anzac Day.)

In the Unley Oval game, marred by many mistakes from both teams, Sturt proved they will be extremely hard to keep out of the final five.

And the Blues' 13-point win emphasised that North lack the cohesion that enabled them to win 18 of their 23 games last season (plus the Australian championship success against Carlton).

After two successive premierships, North coach Mike Patterson has the demanding task of keeping his players' form and enthusiasm at a peak.

It's early yet.

But North are not playing with the assurance of a side which started the year as premiership favorites.

On current form, Glenelg must be rated the team to beat for the title.

The Tigers, in their most irresistible form since they won their first 11 matches in 1969, have the whopping percentage of 63.78.

Their totals this season have been 20.20 (149), 22.19 (151), 26.12 (168), 20.19 (139), 20.22 (142), and 27.19 (181).

Glenelg have totalled 135.120 compared with their opponents' 77.66 (in order, Woodville, Sturt, Torrens, South, Norwood, Centrals).

Glenelg's really big tests come in the next two games when they clash

By Alan Shiell
with North at Prospect and Port at Alberton.

IMPROVE

Glenelg coach Neil Kerley, while immensely satisfied with his team's unbeaten record, has no delusions of grandeur.

He said last night: "It was a good win today. But I am certain we can, and must, do better."

"Sections of our game can be improved."

"We must have more teamwork, more method, and more understanding between players."

"We had a few players down on form today, but the most heartening feature was the return to form of Fred Phillis (nine goals)."

"I realise Centrals kicked 20 goals."

"But maybe you have to expect that the way our players were running up with the ball and attacking so often."

While North and Patterson have their share of worries, Centrals and coach Tony Casserly also are candidates for headache tablets.

Centrals, of course, still are strong final five candidates. But they must have ben disturbed with the way Glenelg swept the game away from them so convincingly.

Torrens stalwart follower Fred Bills, playing his 262nd league game, injured his back against South at Adelaide Oval. Bills had X-rays at The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, but the injury is reported not serious.

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	6,487
Glenelg	12,957
Unley	11,024
Woodville	4,550
Total	35,018

TOMORROW

Port v. Norwood (Adelaide)

NEXT ROUND

MAY 26

South v. Norwood (Adelaide)

Port v. Woodville (Alberton)

Centrals v. Sturt (Elizabeth)

North v. Glenelg (Prospect)

Torrens v. West (Thebarton)

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
D. Sachse (North)	3.5	6	27.22
Whelan (Sturt)	3.3	6	27.15
Dittmar (South)	4.2	6	21.15
Voigt (Glenelg)	2.4	6	21.10
Carey (Glenelg)	6.0	6	20.14
D. K. Phillis (Glenelg)	9.4	6	20.13
Wickens (Glenelg)	2.2	6	19.14
J. Cahill (Port)		5	19.13

Walking tall in Tigerland

"The bonny wee Tiger is the pride of them all" says the chorus of Glenelg's team song.

What do they mean—WEE Tiger?

The team that convincingly defeated Centrals at Glenelg Oval yesterday had at least 10 men more than 6 ft. tall.

And last night coach Neil Kerley must have felt 10 ft. tall in Tigerland.

Every year since I stopped playing and talking football in order just to talk football they've been saying down the Bay way "This is the year of the Tiger."

At long last they could be right.

With the side Kerls has at his command the only thing that will stop them from playing off in the 1973 grand final would be one heap of injuries.

Kerls has had promising players in the past few seasons.

He says his players have now matured and arrived.

And you've got to go along with that.

Glenelg are a very professional team.

They are on call at all times.

Most clubs train two nights a week with Sunday mornings thrown in as a penalty.

But Tiger players can be required on the track four nights a week.

And every Sunday morning they play a competitive game of soccer.

How I love using that word (ugh!). But it's a fact that Glenelg Oval is turned into a soccer ground as the players form two elevens and stick strictly to the rules of that game they call association football.

That is, with the exception of Kerls. He also plays in the soccer match, but he would cheat at snakes and ladders against his son Donald — if Donald would let him.

And one thing you must admire about

Glenelg Football Club. Its supporters don't mind paying and paying solidly in donations to keep their players in the land of the Tiger.

PROFESSIONALISM in its most obvious form is here to stay in Australian rules.

This is where Glenelg and West are poles apart.

Glenelg make no secret of the number of players they have under contract. That's at least half their side.

And they say their aim is to have their whole training list on contract.

West, on the other hand, declare through their chairman, Bob Lee, that their club wants no contract players.

Exit—G. Hewitt to Richmond.

PLAYERS, supporters, and most important of all—Glenelg have a

truly professional coach.

We recognised Kerley's ability as a player and as a playing coach.

But the whisper when he quit as a player was that he did not have the goods as a coach on the bench.

The six wins in a row and six scores of 20 goals or more have put paid to that whisper.

I said last season he should be retained as State coach for another season as this was a role which he was still learning and learning fast.

It was his own choice to relinquish the State job, and obviously this was to concentrate 100 per cent. on the major job of taking Glenelg to the top.

At this stage of the season he's certainly a long way along that road.

THE pros and cons of the diamond at the centre bounce have been thrown around plenty of times.

I have some reservations about the merits of the diamond, because I believe no game should be for only the big men, but it must be conceded that the 47 goals kicked at Glenelg Oval yesterday were largely the result of that taboo on congestion in the centre.

Fred Phillis kicked nine goals from full forward and Peter Carey six (without a miss) from centre half-forward.

They wouldn't have had the same opportunities under the old rule.

ALTHOUGH soundly beaten Centrals showed some of the form that had them at the top of the ladder for a good part of last season.

When you consider the missing names—the lively and likeable leprechaun Mulholland, Wylie the elusive pim-

I CALL IT AS I SEE IT...



BY DOUG THOMAS WITH JOHN HEALEY

pernel, the previously out-of-form tank Gary Jones (six goals in the Seconds yesterday), the star opportunist Mobbs — they're not doing so badly.

And the first-uppers, Towering Terry Moore and his sidekick Norsworthy, did well until they ran out of puff.

With a couple of games under their belts they'll be a different proposition.

I'VE always said football can do a lot for a player when he retired.

I for one cannot bellyache at the opportunities which have come my way because I had been a player.

And there are a few ex-players in the top bracket in South Australia who have collected their share and then some.

But this week I studied the names of those who are expounding on the fine points of football on radio, television, and in the Press.

I decided that if I could go round the course for a second term maybe I'd be, not a player, but an umpire.

WHAT AM I SAYING?

That's almost sacrilege in my book.

But give a thought to the number of experts today who were the whistle-blowing Little Caesars of yesterday.

Honestly...

TIGERS ON SIXTH SPREE

After a slow start, Glenelg, for the sixth successive game kicked more than 20 goals to convincingly outpoint a disappointing Centrals at Glenelg Oval yesterday.

The Bays showed little system in the first term, but in the final three terms booted 23-12 to 13-11 in reply to the Bulldogs.

It was in the second quarter that Glenelg won the game by piling on nine goals to Centrals' three.

The Bulldogs managed only three majors again in the third quarter, but after wholesale changes at the last change, flew home with seven goals.

Early in the game ruckman Farnham was well in command allowing Centrals to move the ball away from the bounces and set up positive attacks.

The Bulldogs were able to adopt a direct approach to goal with constructive handball and good tandem support.

Mistake

Centrals always looked for full forward Haughan and he responded with three goals for the quarter.

He was given valuable support from Cochrane, who twice notched goals from the forward pocket.

This twosome was Centrals' main scoring source in the forward lines.

BY  GERRY HARRISON

As told to Trevor Gill

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But I feel the Bulldog selectors made a mistake using Cochrane as a rover. His roving offside, Norsworthy — who was playing his first game for the season — didn't receive enough support.

The Bays' only strongman in the back lines was rugged Wayne Phillis, who continually stopped the ball from reaching Haughan.

The Tigers looked a little rattled by the unexpected Centrals' onslaught and their teamwork suffered.

Cornes fired the Bays

around the packs after the change and Glenelg's game lifted.

They suddenly found some run in their legs and pacy players like Marker, Cornes, Millard, and Marriott began to thread through the Centrals' defence to find the goals.

The goals came thick and fast to the Tigers.

Key forward players — Carey and Fred Phillis — ran riot, Carey booted four match winning goals in the second term and finished

with six for the game.

Phillis, looking like the old champion, despite dropping some easy marks, found the goals nine times.

The Bays were well served across centre with a consistent effort by Millard who kept Centrals' danger player, Vivian, to a minimum of kicks.

The Bulldog defence crumbled in the Glenelg burst, and it was only Sonny Morey who held his position throughout the game.

Centrals had few good players after their first quarter effort, but their

final term fightback was launched by Haughan in attack, and Morey in defence.

The only black mark against the Bays' convincing win was that Centrals, carrying too many passengers, were able to boot 20 goals in defeat.

TAS. FOOTBALL

TFL (Hobart). — New Norfolk 10-18 (78). d. Clarence 5-12 (42); Sandy Bay 14-14 (98) d. Glenorchy 12-16 (88); North Hobart 12-13 (85) d. Hobart 11-9 (75).