

SUNDAY MAIL SEMI-FINALS SOUVENIR

'YEAR OF TIGER' CRY REACHES A PEAK

NORTH v. NORWOOD

AT NORWOOD

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	5-0	8-4	11-11	13-17	95
Nwd.	3-5	8-8	10-12	13-12	90

SCORERS—NORTH: D. Sachse 4.3, B. Robran 4.2, Hearl 2.1, Marsh 1.4, Von Bertouch 1.1, Payne 1.1, R. Robran 0.1, rushed 0.4. **NORWOOD:** Dillon 4.1, Woodcock 3.1, Button 2.2, Oatey 1.1, White 1.0, Carmen 1.0, Wynne 1.0, Rosser 0.1, rushed 0.2.

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: B. Robran, Marsh, Sporn, Payne, Howard, Von Bertouch, Hammond, Robinson. **NORWOOD:** Seekamp, Wynne, Dillon, Oatey, Wark, Taylor, Porritt, Woodcock.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH: Lehmann by Collins and Hearl by Wilkey in last quarter. **NORWOOD:** Button (ankle) by Menz in last quarter.

UMPIRE—Peter Mead.

STURT v. GLENELG

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	2-6	10-8	14-9	20-13	133
Sturt	5-2	8-7	9-8	11-10	76

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BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Bennett, Rawson, Hamilton, Fred Phillis, Millard, Voigt, Wickens, Cornes, Tardif. **STURT:** Miels, Davies, Greenslade, Howard, Ottens, Sims, Klomp, Nunan, Nelson.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: Tregenza and Voigt by Sandland and Marriott in the final term. **STURT:** Bagshaw (bruised leg and twisted ankle) by Wild in the second term. Barton (bruised calf) by Goldsworthy at three-quarter time.

UMPIRE—Murray Ducker.

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	34,140
Norwood	17,749
Total	51,889

NEXT WEEK

PRELIMINARY FINAL
Sturt v. North (Adelaide)

WHAT CAPTAINS, COACHES SAID



NEIL KERLEY (Glenelg coach)—Damn good team effort overall. After a very nervous start we settled down and took control.

PETER MARKER (Glenelg captain) — Makes it easy when you have got a team of honest players. Sturt might have been feeling the effects of last week and the loss of Paul Bagshaw.

JACK OATEY (Sturt coach)—The continued run-on pressure by Glenelg was too much to withstand. We will take stock during the week to see if we can come back for the grand final.

PAUL BAGSHAW (Sturt captain)—Beaten by a far better team effort. After a good start, the Bays' run-on play took the game right away from us.



MIKE PATTERSON (North coach) — I felt it was one of the hardest fought games we have played this year. It must be when one kick separates the teams.

ROBERT OATEY (Norwood captain-coach) — There was one kick in it — there's not much more I can say. They were too good on the day.



By Alan Shiell

"The Year of the Tiger." Those five words have formed league football's most familiar cliché this season.

And at Adelaide Oval yesterday, the Tigers gave even more meaning to the phrase.

They proved that this probably IS the year that they can stand up and be counted for the first time since their only premiership in 1934.

If ever a team were odds-on to win the flag, Glenelg certainly are this year.

Only North or Sturt now stand between Glenelg and the 1973 premiership — a premiership which will give Neil Kerley the unique distinction of coaching three clubs to the league's most sought-after prize.

(Kerley coached West to the 1961 title and took South top in 1964).

When the Tigers roar at Adelaide Oval next Saturday week it will be only their second game in a month.

For North or Sturt, it will be their fourth successive match in as many weeks. The torturous program has arisen because of the final

five format which, for the first time, has provided for six finals instead of four.

Glenelg probably would never admit which side they would prefer to play in the grand final.

ONLY LOSS

But it is a fairly safe bet to say the Tigers would be more content to meet Sturt than North.

The Roosters inflicted upon Glenelg their only loss for the season—a 27-point defeat at Prospect in the seventh series (14.13 to 8.22).

While Glenelg's powerful second half (10.5 to 3.3) left no doubt about the result at Adelaide Oval, Norwood could consider themselves unlucky to lose so narrowly to North at the Parade.

Tension melts



EVEN in such a tense, important game players could still muster a laugh. These two pictures catch that feeling. Glenelg's Kerry Hamilton is trapped between Philip Nelson's legs. After a small scuffle both came out smiling.

BAGSHAW'S NOW IN DOUBT

Sturt captain Paul Bagshaw is in grave doubt for next Saturday's preliminary final against North.

He has back, calf, and ankle injuries.

Bagshaw went off in the second quarter against Glenelg at Adelaide Oval yesterday.

He had a bruised calf muscle just below a knee, and a twisted ankle.

A bruised back made him a doubtful starter throughout the week.

Some heavy "treatment" from Glenelg opponents did not improve Bagshaw's back early in the game.

Sturt rover Robert Barton hurt an ankle, but he should be fit to play against North.

The Roosters came through unscathed at Norwood and will have all players available for the preliminary final.

Glenelg will be at full strength for the grand final.

The Tigers will welcome back State half-back Brian Colbey, who will have recovered completely from a depressed cheekbone fracture.

—ALAN SHIELL.



Paul Bagshaw

BAYS UNSURE ONLY AT THE START

Launching a powerful onslaught at the start of the second term, Glenelg rocketed their way direct to a grand final berth with a masterly win over Sturt in the second semi-final at Adelaide Oval yesterday.

BY  GERRY HARRISON

As told to Rick Dobie

The Tigers shed their first quarter uncertainty to post three goals in even time and take charge of the game.

From this point the Tigers were in complete control apart from a lapse in concentration in the final four minutes of the second term when they allowed Sturt to kick three goals.

Shown the way by Davies, Sturt's opening was most impressive as they took the ball away from the diamond, attacking through Miels and Greenslade.

Further afield they had Whelan and Ottens proving more than a handful for the Glenelg defence and instrumental in Sturt's 14-point lead at the first change.

Davies continued to make opportunities for Sturt but with the blanketing of Nunan and

the injury and eventual departure of Bagshaw the Blues were unable to capitalise on the advantage.

It was surprising to see Greenslade switched to the eastern flank for the second term as Sturt continued to use Miels as the springboard for its attacks down the grandstand flank.

Greenslade, too accomplished for Rosewarne, received limited opportunities on the dead flank and Sturt suffered from inability to finish off the many attacks instigated by Miels.

Glenelg certainly had final round jitters in the first term when they mishandled the ball badly and their handball was tentative.

Late in this term their tandem movement began to take effect, their ball handling improved, and



Greg Bennett . . . his pace was big factor.

by Caldwell and Wickens and Cornes hitting the post — all in the time-on period — Glenelg could have led, at the first change.

It was a different Glenelg that at the start of the second term opened full of confidence, displaying an insatiable appetite for the ball.

Backed up by their physical strength, superior teamwork and more professional attitude to the game, the Tigers forced Sturt to give ground.

Tardif and Tregenza used body weight to curb the dominating influence of Sturt's Davies, allowing Glenelg to dictate the trend through strength of numbers at the drop of the ball.

Bennett's pace and Voigt's strength proved a winning combination as Glenelg grabbed the initiative from the diamond clashes, using Millard as the source of attack.

Despite that Miels was clearly Sturt's best player in opposition to Millard, the Glenelg wingman was a valuable springboard.

Miels repeatedly dropped back into an open space to create the loose man and give Sturt attacking opportunities but Millard booted Glenelg to the teeth of goal just as often.

It was Glenelg's overall backing up, ability to maintain pressure, and the services of a reliable spearhead that won them a grand final berth.

After a promising start Whelan faded for Sturt but Fred Phillis finished as a strongpoint in the face of waves of Glenelg attacks to finish with a match-winning eight goals.

STABS

BY  STAN WICKHAM

As told to Graham Fischer

Glenelg coach Neil Kerley didn't intend to be caught napping at the Adelaide Oval yesterday.

He was seen inspecting the Oval's notorious cricket pitch area during half-time of the Coca-Cola Cup match between Centrals and Torrens.

PAUL Bagshaw's suspect back was put to an early test. He was dumped heavily at the opening bounce then freed with a heavy tackle into his back — all in the first 60 seconds.

He came off late in the second term, but it had nothing to do with his back — it was a leg

OPPOSING wingers Miels (Sturt), and Millard (Glenelg) toted up 27 and 26 kicks, respectively for the game.

Miels was given plenty of room by Millard early, but the Bay youngster fought back to even the score in the best individual battle on the ground.

THE Tigers played it hard, but the over-use of strong-arm tackles twice cost them a run to the goals. The offenders were Millard and Carey.

CO-OPERATION in the forward lines is a must. Fred Phillis, up against the boundary line, quickly passed to Wickens who goaled.

Wickens soon returned the favor and fired a perfect pass to Fred Phillis — from half-forward — another goal.

THE usually sure-fingered Adcock missed three apparent easy catches — result, three Glenelg goals.

But his opposition back pocket Rawson made four successive fingertip marks, to hold the Double Blues up in the second term.

ACCURACY is the name of the game. Halfway through the second term Glenelg had five shots for goal and Sturt four.

Result — the Tigers 5-0, the Blues 0-4 and a handy lead to the Bays.

AS play entered time-on in the second term, Fred Phillis snapped a goal from the square and although he received the cheers from the Glenelg fans, five Bay players rushed to congratulate half-forward Greg Wickens, who had speared the hand pass to the unattended Phillis.

AFTER 17 minutes of the last quarter, Glenelg rover Greg Bennett snapped their seventeenth goal, giving the Bays a 43-point lead.

It was a signal for a wall of people to leave their seats and head for the exits.



ABOVE: Glenelg and Sturt players fall over each other to get at the ball before a section of the crowd of more than 34,000 who saw yesterday's big game.

BELOW: A man without a smile . . . Sturt's coach Jack Oatey looking despondent because of the Blues' position. Paul Bagshaw (behind) went off with an injury.



1973 SECOND SEMI FINAL

TIGERS SWAMP STURT IN BRILLIANT SECOND HALF

Glenelg enhanced their conviction that 1973 would be the "Year of the Tiger" when they demolished Sturt by 57 points in the 1973 Second Semi Final, played before a crowd of 34,140 at Adelaide Oval.

A crowd of 34,140 saw Sturt begin impressively against Minor Premiers Glenelg in the 1973 Second Semi Final. The Blues took the ball away from the centre with ease as Rick Davies was in outstanding form and players like Brenton Miels and Malcolm Greenslade were more than a handful for Glenelg's outer defence.

Further afield, Ken Whelan and Dean Ottens were in menacing form. Sturt went in at the first change some 14 points ahead.

However, the second term saw Glenelg come to life and shed their first quarter uncertainty to post three goals in even time and begin to take a grip on the game.

Rick Davies continued to provide opportunities for Sturt, but the departure of Paul Bagshaw due to injury and the blanketing of Mike Nunan prevented the Blues from capitalising on the chances provided.

Glenelg had showed nerves in that first term, with many ball-handling errors evident. But for two bad misses by Neville Caldwell and Greg Wickens, as well as Graham Cornes' shot hitting the post, the Bays could have led at quarter time.

However, Glenelg had no nerves in the second term as they showed confidence and brilliant teamwork, backed up by superior strength and body weight. In ruck Bob Tregenza and Rob Tardif were gradually wearing down the brilliant Davies, allowing the Tigers to dictate the trend of play.

The second term proved the turning point of the game as in the first 15 minutes Glenelg added 5 goals to Sturt's paltry four points.

Glenelg led by 13 points at half time. But that was the end of the contest as the Tigers completely outclassed the Blues in the second

half to rattle on 10.5 to Sturt's 3.3 in a one-sided second half.

The Tigers had many winners like rovers Greg Bennett and Rex Voigt, full forward Fred Phillis who finished with 8 goals and defence Jim Rawson, while across centre Kerry Hamilton and Peter Millard were in fine touch.

For Sturt, Brenton Miels, Rick Davies, Malcolm Greenslade and Brendon Howard were continual "thorns in the Tigers' side."

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GLENELG	Ks	H/b	Ms
N. CALDWELL	5	3	4
D. PHILLIS	14	1	8
R. VOIGT	14	6	9
P. MARKER	12	4	8
P. CAREY	10	6	8
G. WICKENS	13	2	5
P. MILLARD	27	6	4
K. HAMILTON	12	11	5
J. MacFARLANE	13	8	5
L. ROSENWARNE	13	3	4
W. PHILLIS	14	5	7
S. HYWOOD	11	3	8
R. TREGENZA	9	5	5
P. ANDERSON	8	0	2
J. RAWSON	14	4	10
R. TARDIF	14	2	4
G. CORNES	17	6	8
G. BENNETT	23	5	6
J. SANDLAND (19th)	2	0	2
C. MARRIOTT (20th)	5	1	0
TOTAL	250	81	112



Greg Bennett . . . starred for the Bays.

STURT	Ks	H/b	Ms
P. NELSON	11	2	1
B. WINTER	9	1	1
B. ADCOCK	5	3	1
R. KLOMP	17	4	4
T. SIMS	8	1	1
P. FRIEDRICH	7	1	—
A. BURGAN	13	5	1
B. HOWARD	19	6	3
B. MIELS	28	5	6
K. CHESSELL	5	9	—
C. CASEY	14	2	4
M. GREENSLADE	7	—	7
D. OTTENS	15	2	7
K. WHELAN	6	1	4
M. NUNAN	8	21	1
R. DAVIES	16	9	8
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P. BAGSHAW (2nd qu.)	4	4	1
R. BARTON (3/4 time)	9	6	2
G. WILD (19th)	1	2	1
N. GOLDSWORTHY (20)	1	1	1
TOTAL	203	85	5

Free Kicks: Glenelg 23, Sturt 22.

Elimination Final:	Norwood 23-13	151	d. Port	17-13	115
Qualifying Final:	Sturt 12-17	89	d. North	12-11	83
First Semi Final:	North 13-17	95	d. Norwood	13-12	90
Second Semi Final:	Glenelg 20-13	133	d. Sturt	11-10	76
Preliminary Final:	North 25-18	168	d. Sturt	9-21	75