

1974 SUNDAY MAIL FINALS SOUVENIR

ROULETTE FINAL KEEPS BAYS IN BUSINESS

THE DETAILS

AT FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3-2	9-9	13-13	19-15	129
Nor.	4-1	6-8	9-10	15-13	103

GOALKICKERS — PORT: Gerlach 4-3, Milde 3-2, Cahill 3-1, Marrett 2-1, Cunningham 2-0, Porplycia 1-3, Taylor 1-2, Natt 1-1, Kingston 1-0, Sorrell 1-0, Light 0-1, rushed 0-1. **NORWOOD:** Carman 4-2, Nicholson 3-1, Gregg 2-1, Woodcock 2-1, Taylor 2-0, Craig 1-1, Rosser 1-0, Dillon 0-2, Turbill 0-2, rushed 0-3.

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: McLleod, Porplycia, Cahill, Taylor, Fragomeni, Gerlach. **NORWOOD:** Gregg, Wynne, Nicholson, Rosser, Taylor.

REPLACEMENTS — PORT: Sorrell (ribs), by Kinnear, last quarter; Tredrea (cramp), by Kingston, last quarter. **NORWOOD:** Gallagher (cramp), by Olsen, last quarter.

UMPIRE—M. Ducker.

AT ADELAIDE OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	6-6	11-14	12-20	15-28	118
Torr.	5-1	9-4	11-9	12-10	82

GOALKICKERS — GLENELG: D. Phillis 7-8, Bennett 2-2, Anderson 2-1, Wickens 1-3, Carey 1-2, MacFarlane 1-2, Cornes 1-1, Hamilton 0-1, Millard 0-1, Tregenza 0-1, Tardif 0-1, Marker 0-1, rushed 0-4. **TORRENS:** Mulvihill 4-0, Wallace 3-2, Floreani 2-2, Pubie 1-1, F. Bills 1-0, Fielke 1-0, McKenzie 0-1, Roberts 0-1, Hunt 0-1, Keast 0-1, M. Pavlich 0-1.

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: D. Phillis, Tregenza, Bennett, Colbey, Carey, MacFarlane, Marker, Tardif. **TORRENS:** Wallace, Fielke, Faletic, P. Cousins, Mulvihill, White, Roberts, F. Bills.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: Cornes replaced by Caldwell; MacFarlane, by Osborn; both in last quarter. **TORRENS:** Hunt, by M. Cousins; S. Pavlich, by Kluzek; both in last quarter.

UMPIRE—P. Mead.

ATTENDANCES

Football Park	30,816
Adelaide Oval	22,964
Total	53,780

SEMI-FINAL ROUND

Sturt v. Port, Football Park.
Glenelg v. Norwood, Adelaide Oval.

WHAT CAPTAINS, COACHES SAID

JOHN CAHILL (Port coach) — "It was a great team effort. It was heartening to see the young players put in such good games."

RUSSELL EBERT (Port captain) — "It was a good game to win. We're looking forward to Sturt next week."

BOB HAMMOND (Norwood captain-coach) — "We made too many mistakes."

NEIL KERLEY (Glenelg coach) — "We played well in a hard-fought game, but will have to improve for next week. Some players managed stronger football than they could earlier in the year, but things will have to move quicker when we meet Norwood next week."

PETER MARKER (Glenelg captain) — "It was a good team effort. I was pleased with the return to form of Fred Phillis; players looked for him all day. We are all looking forward to next week's game against Norwood."

WAYNE JACKSON (Torrens coach) — "Glenelg got the jump on us in the second quarter and we found it hard to get back into the game. We did well to fight on, but the Bays finished the better side."

PETER KELLY (Torrens captain) — "Glenelg had the finals temperament that gave them an advantage. We had players who had been hit by illness and just did not fire well enough. It was Glenelg's day."

Glenelg, the millionaires of 1973, were back in big business when they eliminated Torrens from the final five at Adelaide Oval yesterday.

The margin of 36 points was comfortable to say the least and could well have been far greater but for some shocking kicking for goal.

Several goals were missed from set shots from reasonable distances and angles.

This deficiency will get the full treatment from coach Neil Kerley at training this week as the Tigers prepare to face their next testing assignment.

They have to meet Norwood in the first semi-final at Adelaide Oval next Saturday.

The Tigers' supremacy was marked with a lead of 22 points at half-time.

They then held firm by outscoring the Eagles 4-14 to 3-6 over the last two terms.

Glenelg were too professional for Torrens, who showed their lack of major round experience.

BIG LEEWAYS

It was their first final since 1969 when they tied with West Adelaide in the first semi-final and lost the replay.

The Tigers pleased their coach and supporters in the way they improved greatly on recent poor showings.

There was too much poise in the Glenelg game for Torrens to counter.

The valiant Eagles never gave up but did not have the resources to bridge several big leeways as the day progressed.

Glenelg for most of the day had an attack playing with confidence.

The Eagles were never able to establish theirs with the same assurance.

Fred Phillis with his seven goals from 15 scoring shots was a mountain the Eagles always had trouble in "climbing."

He marked close in or well out and was not afraid to move abroad for

the footpass or handpass that was always on.

HOMEWORK

Phillis was back near his best, in the mould of his century season.

It was also a tribute to his versatility. He spent the first half of this season turning defence into attack from centre half-back.

At the other end Brian Mulvihill struggled to get his four goals the hard way.

He did not have nearly as many agents working for him as Phillis did.

It was obvious that coach Neil Kerley had done Glenelg's homework well during the week.

Torrens' recent brilliant run-on, which had excitingly put them into the major round when all appeared lost, had not only to be contained but nullified.

The Tigers lived up to their name with quick tackling that never allowed Torrens to work into a smooth, free-flowing pattern.

RICH DIVIDEND

No one in the Torrens room was prepared to say after the game whether, if they could turn back the clock, they would have played the injured Brenton Bills (thigh), and John Graham (tonsillitis).

But a disappointed coach Wayne Jackson did clear up one point.

Bills and Graham DID train on Thursday night and went well enough for the selectors to play them when both were doubtful

until late in the piece — 22 players had been named on Thursday night.

But Bills and Graham did not inspire great confidence among Eagles supporters by the "seedy" way they looked when they ran on to the ground.

Neither moved to the ball as freely as normally.

After half time Fred Bills, and not Graham, was at centre half-back to curb the influence of Peter Carey.

Putting Carey in "cotton wool" over the past few weeks paid a rich dividend for the Tigers.

Carey, regaining some of his best form, gave the winning Glenelg half forward line more the look of '73.

His legs, like those of winger John MacFarlane, looked much fresher after their rest last week when they did not play at Norwood.

Torrens' start was good enough, with 5.1 in the first term to trail by 11 points. Barry McKenzie did some handy diamond work and Ian Wallace was active around the centre.

Torrens had no better player than Wallace whose expert positioning and pace often gave valuable results.

Torrens won the third term scoring 2-5 while Glenelg began their worst period of inaccuracy (1-8).

STALEMATE

This was enough to stalemate the game and spur Glenelg into rousing themselves for the final effort when they ran away from a tired opposition.

THE STARS



1. FRED PHILLIS
... seven goals for the Tigers represented a classic performance.



2. IAN WALLACE
... took a battering, but emerged with a skilful team game for Torrens.



3. BOB TREGENZA
... solid battling in ruck was invaluable to Glenelg.

There was more balance in the Glenelg side and each line and section came out of the game well enough for them to approach the match against Norwood with confidence.

It was not one of umpire Peter Mead's better performances.

He incurred the wrath of both sides with some decisions that were difficult to fathom.

But Torrens supporters will be shocked to learn that their team had 47 frees to Glenelg's 27.



Terry Williams at Adelaide Oval

\$900 ... that's the expensive price tag yesterday's game against the Bays had for a couple of Torrens players.

The Eagles pair—both top name players—were so certain of a win they went so far as calling the Glenelg Football Club and offering all kinds of odds.

As they said after the game: "We won plenty in the weeks gone by!"

How stiff are Johnny Graham and his old-timer mate, Fred Bills?

Both started with Torrens in 1961 and have not played in a premiership side.

And they never will—Graham retired today, and Bills, with 299 games to his credit, looks like hanging up his boots in 1975.

WHAT about Fred Phillis ... his 7-8 could have been at least 10 in one of his better games for the year.

Add to his great performance that of Trigger Tregenza and Bob Tardif and the Bays had a solid big man line-up.

IAN Wallace—Torrens' best—would hardly be short of that intestinal fortitude.

Wallace, clobbered hard by about four Glenelg players in the second quarter, was in the hands of five trainers before he went on with the game in his usual brilliant style.

He said after the game (believe it or not) that he could hardly spot the ball.

"But I was lucky this time—I only needed two stitches over my eye, usually it's about nine."

GLENELG'S "Twiggy"

Caldwell tossed the coin for the Bays to start the game against Torrens — and then promptly went to the bench as a reserve.

Caldwell was playing his 100th game for the Tigers, but luck was not with him as Eagle skipper, Peter Kelly, won

the toss and kicked to the southern end.

TIGER wingman John MacFarlane made goals look easy as he grabbed a handpass on the run and calmly screw-punted through the middle for the Tigers' ninth goal at the 12-minute mark of the second term.

IT must have been a big Eagles hoax—all those Torrens crocks everyone was talking about took the field against the Tigers.

Brenton Bills had a tough time against Fred Phillis, Johnny Graham put in a quiet one and "Mulva"—Mr. X—finished with four goals for the day.

Apart from Mulvihill perhaps they should have had the day off.

THERE were one or two imports on the field for yesterday's game.

The Bays had two, but Torrens came up with five.

Think of Wallace (VFA), Hunt (VFA), Keast (Footscray), McKenzie (Fitzroy), and Mulvihill.

True, "Mulva" did start with the Eagles but he's back after a couple of years with this year's VFL improvers, North Melbourne.

In case you're wondering — those two Tiger ring-ins were Greg Bennett (Perth) and Colin Anderson (Melbourne).

LET'S finish on a question: "What happened to umpire Robin Bennet yesterday?"

He was in charge of the Glenelg-Woodville Reserves at Footy Park, but surely rated a chance at one of the main matches.