

IT'S A FINAL

FOUR

The rest

aren't in

the race

By Terry Williams

Four teams - not five - will fight out the 1975 football finals.

This becomes all too obvious after yesterday's round of matches when North Adelaide, in fifth spot, were massacred by Port, and Central Districts and West lost their games.

West, with controversy raging after yesterday's game at Thebarton, now have only a slim chance of making the finals.

Next week they meet Woodville at Richmond. North, who now have a weaker percentage than the Bloods, face Glenelg at Prospect.

Today's indifferent showing by three of the top four clubs leaves speculation wide open.

Glenelg struggled against South at the Bay. Sturt had to overcome a perfect starting display by Woodville, and Norwood found it hard against the Bulldogs.

Only Port were outstanding as they routed the Roosters at Adelaide Oval to boost their percentage.

North could be without Barrie Robran after he received a kick to the calf yesterday. Mike Eichner is another in doubt with a cork thigh.

Bulldog wingman Peter Vivian could be out for the rest of the season if a suspected broken jaw is confirmed by X-rays.

ATTENDANCES

Football Park	6,423
Adelaide Oval	10,411
Glenelg	5,984
Thebarton	5,422
Unley Oval	4,794

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NEXT ROUND

Torrens v. Norwood, Football Park
South v. Sturt, Adelaide Oval
Central v. Port, Elizabeth
North v. Glenelg, Prospect
West v. Woodville, Richmond

THE DETAILS

AT ADELAIDE OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	6-10	14-16	19-18	25-22	172
North	1-3	3-4	5-7	6-10	46

BEST PLAYERS. — PORT: Ebert, Light, Cahill, Whatman, Woite, Porplycia, Burton, Giles, Tredrea, James, Ede. NORTH: Baruzzi, Robinson, McInnes, Cloke, Howard Stringer.

SCORERS. — PORT: T. Evans 4.5, Porplycia 4.4, Cahill 4.4, Burton 3.2, Tredrea 3, Natt 2.1, Cunningham 2, Whatman 1.1, Ebert 1.1, Kinnear 1, Verrier 0.2, rushed 0.2. NORTH: Sandland 2.1, Baruzzi 1.1, Sandery 1.1, McInnes 1.1, Crouch 1, B. Robran 0.3, Roach 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS. — PORT: Burton, by Broderick final term. NORTH: Robran (calf) by Schubert, three-quarter time. Mumford by Sandery, final term.

UMPIRE. — D. Foster.

AT GLENELG OVAL

Glen.	1-4	7-13	12-16	20-20	140
South	6-3	8-4	13-9	16-13	109

BEST PLAYERS.—GLENELG: Carey, Colbey, F. Phillis, Hodgeman, W. Phillis. SOUTH: Robbins, Earl, Keddie, Schneebichler, Hateley.

SCORERS.—GLENELG: D. Phillis 8-4, Rady 3-1, Hodgeman 2-4, Rebbeck 2-2, Cornes 2-1, McInerney 1-0, Carey 1-0, Marker 0-2, Weston 0-2, rushed 0-4. SOUTH: Robbins 6-1, Schneebichler 4-2, Schultz 2-2, Hateley 2-1, Ryan 1-0, Keddie 1-0, Linke 0-2, Hines 0-1, Young 0-1, Cox 0-1, Caesarowicz 0-1, rushed 0-1.

REPLACEMENTS. — GLENELG: MacFarlane (three-quarter time) by McInerney, Colbey (last) by Moss. SOUTH: Cox by Green (last), Cutting by Caesarowicz (last).

UMPIRE: J. Field.

AT UNLEY OVAL

Sturt	1-5	7-12	12-15	15-25	115
W'ville	9-4	10-5	11-10	12-14	86

BEST PLAYERS.—STURT: Graham, Bagshaw, Murphy, Nunan, Barton, Winter. WOODVILLE: Sewer, Holland, Richards, MacVicar, Coudraye, Stemper.

SCORERS.—STURT: Graham 6-11, Barton 4-4, Whelan 1-3, Nunan 1-2, Bagshaw 1-1, Lauder 1-0, Giles 1-0, Greenslade 0-3, Klomp 0-1. WOODVILLE: Parker 4-1, Sewer 2-4, Hine 2-0, Winstanley 1-1, Ruth 1-1, MacVicar 1-0, Rattley 1-0, Coudraye 0-2, Brenton 0-1, rushed 0-4.

REPLACEMENTS.—STURT: Wild by Giles second quarter, Lauder by Sanders last quarter. WOODVILLE: Parker by Fowles last quarter, Carter by Longbottom last quarter.

UMPIRE: W. Noonan.

AT FOOTBALL PARK

Nor.	3-0	8-6	11-7	18-9	117
Cent.	3-3	3-7	5-12	7-15	57

BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD: Button, Packer, Taylor, Poulter, Woodcock, Turbill. CENTRALS: Skinner, Krieg, W. Cochrane, Koch, Ashmead.

SCORERS.—NORWOOD: Woodcock 4.1, Dillon 3.0, Nalder 3.0, Poulter 2.1, Turbill 2.1, Craig 2.0, Rosser 1.0, Thiel 1.0, Dunstan 0.3, Wynne 0.1, rushed 0.2. CENTRALS: Reed 2.2, Ashmead 1.2, Wyley 1.2, McKay 1.1, Moore 1.0, Skinner 1.0, Norsworthy 0.2, Beythein 0.2, Hughes 0.1, Krieg 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD: Pope by Thiel, three-quarter time, Dunstan by Rosser, final quarter. CENTRAL: Vivian (jaw) by Koch, second quarter.

UMPIRE.—P. Mead.

AT THEBARTON OVAL

Tor.	6-1	8-6	11-9	15-10	100
West	5-1	7-2	10-5	12-10	82

BEST PLAYERS. — TORRENS: Faletic, Cassin, White, McKenzie, Pavlich. WEST: Loveday, Stevenson, Buckley, Kennedy, Kuhlmann.

SCORERS. — TORRENS: Noonan 5.0, Cassin 4.0, Raggatt 2.0, Homan 1.1, Fielke 1.1, White 1.0, Inglis 1.0, Faletic 0.3, Wallace 0.2, Dare 0.1, rushed 0.2. WEST: G. Hewitt 4.2, Buckley 3.2, Gurney 1.2, Kennedy 1.0, Boston 1.0, Humphrey 1.0, Papst 1.0, Kellert 0.1, rushed 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS. — TORRENS: Forbes by Inglis third quarter, Cassin (ankle) by Bills last quarter. WEST: Hayes by Boston and Kennedy (leg) by Pavlich, both last quarter.

REPORTS. — Cassin (Torrens) reported by umpire Bennet second quarter. Club refused to make known details of offence.

PHILLIS PULLS BAYS CLEAR

BY  TREVOR GILL

Glen.	1-4	7-13	12-16	20-20	140
South	6-3	8-4	13-9	16-13	109

Glenelg and South Adelaide were tangled in a bone crushing battle until the dying minutes of the final quarter at the Bay yesterday.

And the Tigers have only one man to thank for pulling them out of deep trouble . . . dead-eye full forward Fred Phillis.

Phillis, back from resting his knee in the Datsun Cup final, had only two real bursts in the game.

But they were efforts which saved the Bays from certain defeat from the Panthers.

In the second term, with the Bays sadly down, Phillis kicked four goals to allow Glenelg to hold a slender three point lead at the "mini league break."

And then again in the thrill-a-minute final term four more goals came off his boot.

It was Phillis who put the Bays in front and kept them there.

From the start Glenelg were in trouble.

Panther forward Graham Robbins combined with his captain Bob Keddie to boot three goals and lead South to a five goal advantage.

The Bays, scarily and far from confident, could only manage one goal.

Their rucks were being sadly beaten by big man Peter Hines and initiative was lacking in the roving ranks.

But after the siren up bobbed Fred Phillis.

Glenelg bumped and hustled their way forward, with Carey and Wayne Phillis fighting into the contest, and Freddy was there every time.

The pressure was too much for South and slowly but surely they were pegged back into arrears at the siren.

It was virtually goal for goal in the third term with Robbins again burning in the forward lines, and it took a fight to put enough fire in the Panthers' game.

The stage was set for a fighting final term and Glenelg coach, Neil Kerley, was like a caged animal kneeling on the boundary line waiting to get at his players.

Hateley goaled in the opening minutes and the Glenelg Oval was hushed. It looked like the Tigers would suffer.

But McInerney, who had replaced MacFarlane at the break, scored with Cornes and then along came Fred Phillis.

He grabbed a sensational mark at centre half forward and the goal umpire did not shift ground as the ball soared between the sticks.

The next goal was again his and the Bays had a breather. But promising Panther forward John Schneebichler steered one through and it was on again.

But then came Phillis, Carey, Hodgeman, and Phillis again and the Tigers had pulled the game from the fire.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Norwood	13	2	1766	1327	26	57.10
Glenelg	12	3	2163	1461	24	59.69
Sturt	12	3	1802	1243	24	59.18
Port	10	5	1906	1503	20	55.91
North	7	8	1579	1811	14	46.58
Centrals	6	9	1468	1739	12	45.77
West	5	10	1509	1705	10	46.95
South	4	11	1434	1861	8	43.52
Woodville	4	11	1365	1881	8	42.05
Torrens	2	13	1474	1935	4	43.24

GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
D. K. Phillis (Glenelg)	8-4	13	82-33
Reed (Centrals)	2-2	13	57-30
Whelan (Sturt)	1-3	15	55-33
Graham (Sturt)	6-11	15	51-50
Dillon (Norwood)	3-0	15	49-27
Cahill (Port)	4-4	15	45-40
Hodgeman (Glenelg)	2-4	15	45-35
Robbins (South)	6-1	15	40-25