

MAGPIES-DROPOUTS OR NOT?

By Terry Williams

Will it be a three-way fight for the 1975 flag?

That's the question facing the final five teams after yesterday's last minor round series.

Norwood crushed Port at the Parade by 86 points to reaffirm their top spot and easy run to the grand final.

And does this mean that Port, like North, will be outclassed by the big three of South Australian football—Glenelg, Sturt and the Redlegs?

This is the twelfth time Norwood have gone minor round premiers.

Of the 11 premierships decided, they went on to win the flag eight times, finished second twice and third once.

The Bays continued their goalkicking spree with 29-30 against Torrens at Thebarton.

It topped off a mammoth round of matches for them from July 26, when they kicked 30.26 against Woodville. Since then they have kicked 17 goals in losing to Sturt in the Datsun Cup final and booted more than 20 goals in every other game.

Sturt showed they could need more tuning up for their unday game against the Bays next week with a poor showing against Central Districts.

They will be anxiously awaiting the results of a fitness test facing centre half-back Andy Nelson this week.

Port captain Russell Ebert will be available for the game against North Adelaide.

He fell heavily on his ankle when jumping for the ball at Norwood in the second term and was quickly replaced to avoid further injury.

The Redlegs, really riding the crest of a winning wave, did not lose a player through injury.

Glenelg reported the same from their game, but North could be without utility Charlie Payne.

they don't have to face up to a final next week.

They have a long list of injuries from their game against the Bloods. Captain Bob Keddie has a suspected broken left collar bone and Andrew Bennett is suffering from concussion.

He was rushed to Queen Elizabeth Hospital for treatment.

Gary Mousley has a hamstring injury and Gary Bracegirdle severe ligament damage to his left knee. John Schneebichler suffered an injured left thigh.

MICHAEL GRAHAM (Sturt) and Ian McKay (Centrals) had \$250 smiles after today's game at Football Park... Russell Ebert and Graham shared the \$500 Sunday Mail - West Lakes Ltd. Player of the Year award, and McKay was voted the Rookie of the Year.

THE DETAILS

AT PROSPECT OVAL

Table with 6 columns: Team, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: North, Wood.

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: B. Stringer, Cloke, Hill Eatts, Tuckey, Baruzzi, Howard. WOODVILLE: Sewer, MacVicar, Maylin, Stemper, Linke, Heaven, Holland.

SCORERS—NORTH: Hill 5.0, Sporn 4.1, Tuckey 2.4, Eatts 2.2, Roach 2.2, Anderson 1.1, R. Robran 1.1, Baruzzi 1.0, Crouch 1.0, McInnes 1.0, B. Stringer 1.0, W. Stringer 0.2, Payne 0.1. WOODVILLE: Sewer 7.0, Linke 4.1, Coudraye 3.1, O'Connor 1.2, MacVicar 1.1, Parker 1.0, Maylin 1.0, Mitchell 1.0, Fowles 1.0, Heaven 0.2, Longbottom 0.1, Winstanley 0.1, Rattley 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH: Payne (split finger webbing) by P. Sporn, first quarter. WOODVILLE: Brenton (bruised lngg) by Mitchell after half-time. UMPIRE—Peter Mead.

AT FOOTBALL PARK

Table with 6 columns: Team, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Sturt, Cent.

BEST PLAYERS.—STURT: Klomp, Winter, Miels, Lauder, Davies, Greenslade. CENTRALS: B. Norsworthy, Casserly, Beythein, Swinstead, Nicks, Vivian.

SCORERS.—STURT: Whelan 4.4, Klomp 4.4, Graham 2.3, Oatey 1.2, Giles 1.1, Greenslade 1.1, Burgan 0.1, Miels 0.1, Bagshaw 0.1, rushed 0.5. CENTRALS: Beythein 3.2, Hughes 2.1, Reed 2.0, B. Norsworthy 1.2, Wyley 1.1, Krieg 1.1, Maksimovic 1.1, McKay 0.1, Casserly 0.1, Nicks 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS.—STURT: Howard (bruised foot) by Friedrichs last quarter. CENTRALS: R. Cochrane by Koch and M. Norsworthy by Linder, both last quarter. UMPIRE.—L. Argent.

AT ADELAIDE OVAL

Table with 6 columns: Team, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: West, South.

BEST PLAYERS.—WEST: Loveday, Hayes, G. Hewitt, Buckley, Burns, Morris, Gurney. SOUTH: Palmer, Robbins, Cox, Reimann, Schultz.

SCORERS.—WEST: Buckley 5.0, Gurney 4.0, G. Hewitt 2.3, Kennedy 2.0, Morris 1.3, Humphrey 1.0, Ravlich 1.1, D. Hewitt 1.0, Donaldson 0.2, Boston 0.1, rushed 0.2. SOUTH: Schneebichler 4.0, Cox 3.2, J. Fuller 1.2, Robbins 1.1, Schultz 1.1, Caesarowicz 0.1, Keddie 0.1, Linke 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS.—WEST: Boston by Drzal and Buckley by Pierson, both final quarter. SOUTH: Mousley (hamstring) by Ryan first quarter, Bennett (concussion) by Caesarowicz second quarter. UMPIRE.—Bob Scholefield.

AT THEBARTON OVAL

Table with 6 columns: Team, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Glen., Torrens.

BEST PLAYERS.—GLENELG: Caldwell, Cornes, Rady, Carey, Rebbeck. TORRENS: Inglis, Wallace, Raggatt, Dare.

SCORERS.—GLENELG: D. Phillis 6.4, Caldwell 6.4, Rady 5.4, Rebbeck 4.5, Bennett 2.2, Weston 2.1, Carey 1.2, Marker 1.2, Cornes 1.0, MacFarlane 1.0, Hamilton 0.2, rushed 0.4. TORRENS: Raggatt 7.0, Inglis 4.1, Homan 2.0, Wallace 1.2, Dare 1.1, Noonan 1.1, Miller 1.1, Faletic 1.0, Hank 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS.—GLENELG: Weston by Hamillton, third quarter, Bennett by Holst last quarter. TORRENS: McKenzie by Hamill third quarter, Miller by Green last quarter. UMPIRE.—J. Field.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

Table with 6 columns: Team, W, L, For, Agnst, Pts, %. Rows: Norwood, Glenelg, Sturt, Port, North, West, Centrals, South, Woodville, Torrens.

GOALKICKERS

Table with 4 columns: Player, Today, Matches, Total. Rows: D. Phillis (Glenelg), Whelan (Sturt), Graham (Sturt), Reed ((Centrals), Dillon (Norwood), Hodgeman (Glenelg).

Behinds aplenty as Tigers stormed in

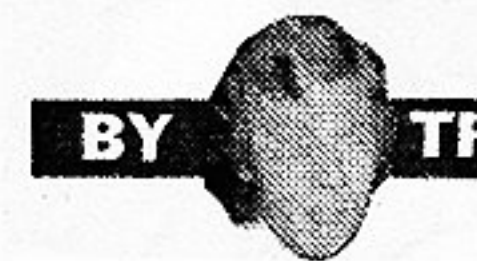
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But Glenelg came out after the half-time break with the record-breaking determination of last week and stormed away with the game.

In a thrill-a-minute third term the Tigers set their forward lines on fire with 12-9 - 21 scoring shots to Torrens' three.



BY TREVOR GILL

Table with 6 columns: Team, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Glen., Tor.

And in the last term they dashed away again, but a series of 13 behinds prevented them from reaching the elusive 30 goals.

One felt in the last half that Glenelg, despite their goal-scoring spree, were not going at full throttle.

Credit must go to Torrens, however, for the tenacious way they threw themselves into the game in the first half.

POWER MEN

Raggatt, who finished with seven straight goals,

and big man Dirk Inglis with four goals from centre half-forward were the power men in the Eagles attack.

But Caldwell, Cornes, Carey and Rady made it clear that Glenelg were going to take command.

The game opened with sizzling pace and 15 goals came from the first quarter.

Raggatt led full back Peter Anderson a merry chase in front of goals and finished the first term with four.

The magic of Glenelg's goalsneak Fred Phillis was being gobbled up by Eagles defenders and he struggled for one goal.

The second quarter was highlighted by some brilliant passages of handball and short passing from defence by Torrens.

They took the game right up to the Bays, but Glenelg always kept well in touch.

After the half-time interval it was high flying Cornes, who set the pace. He broke away from the centre bounce and steered through a bouncing goal in the opening seconds.

Goals followed with ease for Glenelg as Caldwell, Rady and Fred Phillis ran riot.

Again it was ruckman Bob Tardiff who really put the strength into Glenelg's game. In the second half he pulled down strong marks and threw himself into the ruck duels.

The last quarter was marred by the procession of behinds by Glenelg, who could easily have booted more than 30 goals.

Kerry Hamilton, who came on during the third quarter after Paul Weston slightly injured a leg, loomed as a real danger man in this term as the Tigers steamrolled their way to the siren.

AT NORWOOD OVAL

Table with 6 columns: Team, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Nor., Port.

BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD: Turbill, Kerley, Pope, Dillon, Seekamp, Rosser, Dunstan, Gallagher. PORT: Tredrea, Fragomeni, James, Kinnear, Whatman, T. Evans.

SCORERS.—NORWOOD: Woodcock 4.1, Dillon 4.1, Roberts 3.0, Turbill 2.3, Dunstan 2.3, Seekamp 2.2, Rosser 2.2, Wynne 2.0, Craig 1.1, Poulter 1.0, Taylor 1.0, Michalanney 1.0, rushed 0.1. PORT: T. Evans 3.2, Natt 2.2, Eckermann 1.2, Kinnear 1.1, Tredrea 1.1, Porplycia 1.1, Milde 1.0, J. Evans 1.0, Cahill 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD: Button by Michalanney, final and Dunstan by Nicholson both in final quarter. PORT: Ebert (ankle) by Eckermann, and Taylor by Grainger in final quarter. UMPIRE.—R. Bennet.

ATTENDANCES

Table with 2 columns: Venue, Attendance. Rows: Football Park, Adelaide Oval, Norwood Oval, Prospect Oval, Thebarton Oval, Total.

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
Elimination final: Port v. North, Football Park.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Qualifying final: Sturt v. Glenelg, Football Park.