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# TRAINER HURT: POLICE PROBE

By Ashley Mallett



Gary Window had to be restrained.

THE fierce West-Centrals clash at Elizabeth Oval yesterday was capped by alleged violence in the players' race moments after the final siren.

Centrals trainer Bob Gosling was allegedly pushed down a flight of stairs and struck as the players streamed through the race to the dressing rooms.

Elizabeth CIB is making inquiries, and last night Centrals' secretary, Mr. Brian Ashmeade, said the incident would also be investigated by his club.

"I have already spoken to West Adelaide president, Mr. Mark Kelly and secretary, Mr. Doug Thomas, and they have assured me they would look into the matter, too," said Mr. Ashmeade.

Gosling is understood to have suffered facial injuries and will have to lose time from his employment.

The match was hard-fought and there was no room for the faint-hearted.

Heated exchanges were commonplace and players hurled themselves into the fray, with hip and shoulder and shirt-fronts commonplace.

During the second term Bruce Stevenson was unceremoniously dumped after his opponent had out-marked him.

Stevenson received a free kick and Centrals' coach Gary Window had to be restrained by a trainer from running on to the ground, apparently to instruct his men to keep their cool.

West coach Fos Williams said after the game that Centrals beat the Bloods by "taking us on with the physical part of football."

Ace Norwood forward Ross Dillon was reported during a scuffle in the Reserves game at Football Park.

Dillon and Glenelg defender Greg Croser were each reported by four umpires for attempting to strike each other. They will face the tribunal on Tuesday night.

## LEAGUE DETAILS

### FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	3-7	8-14	12-20	16-24	120
Nwd.	3-3	6-7	9-8	11-12	78

**BEST PLAYERS.—GLENELG:** Cornes, Copping, Rady, D. Johnston, Marker, Caldwell, Holst, Carey. **NORWOOD:** Adler, Taylor, Von Bertouch, Rosser Gallagher.

**SCORERS.—GLENELG:** Copping 4.5, Cornes 3.4, Rady 2.2, Marker 2.0, Hodgeman 1.3, Jackson 1.2, Caldwell 1.2, Holst 1.0, Farquhar 1.0, Paech 0.2, Johnston 0.1, Carey 0.1, rushed 0.2. **NORWOOD:** Adler 4.2, Michalanne 2.1, Von Bertouch 1.2, Pope 1.1, Thiel 1.0, Rosser 1.0, Gregg 1.0, Gallagher 0.2, Woodcock 0.1, Nicholson 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**INJURIES.—GLENELG:** Carey (hamstring) during third quarter. **NORWOOD:** Button (groin) before game; Thiel (recurrent knee) during third quarter.

**UMPIRES:** Robin Bennet and Peter Mead.

### THEBARTON OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torr.	8-3	12-7	18-11	26-16	172
Wdv.	0-3	2-9	7-11	11-13	79

**BEST PLAYERS.—TORRENS:** K. McSparran, M. Pavlich, Miller, S. Pavlich, G. White, Kellett, Floreani, Mead. **WOODVILLE:** Sewer, Kersten, Parker, Brenton, Ruth, Nicholls.

**SCORERS.—TORRENS:** Kellett 5.3, Raggatt 4.0, Inglis 3.2, Mariott 2.3, McSparran 2.2, S. White 2.0, Manouge 2.0, S. Pavlich 2.0, G. White 1.2, Floreani 1.2, Miller 1.1, M. Pavlich 1.0, rushed 0.1. **WOODVILLE:** Roberts 4.4, L. Twelftree 3.1, Sewer 2.0, Ruth 1.2, McInnes 1.1, Parker 0.2, Nicholls 0.1, Crane 0.1, Tyrrell 0.1.

**INJURIES.—TORRENS:** P. Roberts (ankle ligaments). **WOODVILLE:** Ford (knee), Maylin (ankle).

**UMPIRES:** Rick Charlesworth and C. Steinert.

### ADELAIDE OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	5-7	9-12	15-17	17-23	125
North	3-4	6-9	11-12	17-16	118

**BEST PLAYERS — SOUTH:** Baynes, Schultz, Green, Doyle, Cox, Robbins. **NORTH:** B. Stringer, Roach, Jaworskyj, Conder, Muller, Cloke.

**SCORERS.—SOUTH:** Bennett 5.2, Cox 3.3, Robbins 2.3, Baynes 2.2, Mousley 2.1, Schultz 2.0, Keam 1.0, Doyle 0.3, Hines 0.2, Green 0.2, Hateley 0.1, rushed 0.4. **NORTH:** Robran 4.2, Cloke 3.2, Tiller 3.0, Roach 2.2, Hoekman 2.1, W. Stringer 2.1, Hill 1.2, B. Stringer 0.4, McCann 0.1, rushed 0.1.

**INJURIES.—SOUTH:** D. Earl (elbow), B. Lewis (concussion).

**UMPIRES—**Bob Magor and Trevor Thomas.

### UNLEY OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	3-6	4-11	13-12	18-15	123
Port	4-0	12-4	16-5	19-8	122

**BEST PLAYERS.—STURT:** Klomp, Davies, Bagshaw, Leonard, Miels, Whelan. **PORT:** Kinnear, Evans, Spry, Phillips, Hannan, James.

**SCORERS.—STURT:** Greenslade 4.3, Burgan 4.0, Graham 3.0, Davies 2.1, Oatey 1.3, Bagshaw 1.2, Leonard 1.1, Nunan 1.1, Whelan 1.0, Klomp 0.1, Winter 0.1, rushed 0.2. **PORT:** Evans 8.3, James 2.1, Sorrell 2.1, Whatman 2.0, Kinnear 1.2, Hannan 1.0, Ebert 1.0, Separovich 1.0, Light 1.0, Belton 0.1.

**INJURIES.—STURT:** Colin Casey (thigh).

**UMPIRES:** Laurie Argent and Dennis Rebbeck.

### ELIZABETH OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Cent.	2-5	5-12	9-18	12-20	92
West	5-4	7-9	9-9	10-14	74

**BEST PLAYERS.—CENTRALS:** Beythein, Jonas, Skinner, Clarke, Cochrane, Saywell. **WEST:** Summerton, G. Hewitt, Buckley, Hollick, Pierson, Grimwood.

**SCORERS — CENTRALS:** Jonas 3.2, Wyley 2.5, Skinner 2.0, Clarke 2.0, Saywell 1.3, Cochrane 1.2, Norsworthy 1.2, Wilson 0.1, Boehm 0.1, rushed 0.4. **WEST:** Pierson 4.2, G. Hewitt 2.1, Buckley 1.3, Grimwood 1.0, Kennedy 1.0, Gurney 1.0, Williams 0.2, Hollick 0.1, Davoren 0.1, rushed 0.4.

**INJURIES — CENTRALS:** Jonas (twisted right ankle). **WEST:** Whittington (concussion).

**UMPIRES —**Des Foster and Bob Scholefield.

### GOALKICKERS

	Y'day	Matches	Total
Cornes (Glenelg)	3-4	18	69-47
Copping (Glenelg)	4-5	18	66-39
Adler (Norwood)	4-2	20	62-40
T. Evans (Port)	8-3	12	59-30
R. Robran (North)	4-2	19	58-39
Jones (Centrals)	—	17	57-20
Pierson (West)	4-2	15	50-44

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
PORT	15	4	1	2539	1750	31	59.20
GLENELG	13	7	—	2480	1885	26	56.82
NORWOOD	12	8	—	2286	1679	24	57.65
SOUTH	12	8	—	2282	2000	24	53.29
WEST	12	8	—	1967	1787	24	52.40
TORRENS	9	11	—	1803	2193	18	45.12
STURT	8	11	1	2069	2026	17	50.53
NORTH	7	12	1	2007	2510	15	44.43
CENTRALS	5	14	1	1839	2572	11	41.69
WOODVILLE	5	15	—	1793	2663	10	40.24

# PORT, WEST JOLT!

By Graham Fischer

Mothball sides Sturt and Centrals rocked the race to the 1977 pennant yesterday by downing league leaders Port and certain finalists West.

It was one of those fabled Port-Sturt clashes, with the Magpies leading by 41 points at half-time and the Double Blues "exploding" after half-time to get up by Mick Nunan's point kicked late in time-on of the final term.

Former century goal-kicker Ken Whelan, returned to his scintillating best at centre half-forward for Sturt and, aided by the old reliables Rick Davies, Paul Bagshaw and Tony Burgan, the Blues stormed home to grab victory.

It was a disappointing performance by premier-hip favorites Port who, with the finals so close, should not have lost after leading by more than six goals at half-time.

West's triumphant rise up the ladder was brought to an abrupt halt by Centrals, who climbed off the bottom of the table.

After six successive wins, West were heading for either second or third spot on the table. But yesterday's loss tosses them back into the mire with Norwood and South.

Glenelg, with their champagne win over Norwood, have now gone one game clear and hold second place on the table.

### 'EXPLODED'

In a fiery clash, Centrals, with State squad member Peter Beythien and rookie David Jonas leading the way, fought back from a four-goal deficit early in the second quarter to win by three goals.

The Bulldogs lost monolith Gary Jones with a twisted ankle and he is in doubt for next week, while

West reserve Mark Whittington was on the ground for only five minutes in the third term before colliding head-on with Peter Osborne. He was carried off on a stretcher with concussion.

Glenelg, struggling winners against Sturt last Sunday, "exploded" against a miserable Norwood to claim second place.

With Stephen Copping and Graham Cornes running riot up forward, the Bays, despite inaccuracy, hammered Norwood off Football Park.

"Superboy" Peter Carey was taken off by Glenelg coach John Nicholls with a slight hamstring strain, but should be all right for next week.

Norwood centre half-forward Jim Thiel's future will be decided this week when a closer examination can be made of his recurrent knee injury.

South stayed in the race for a higher spot in the finals series with a dour win over North at Adelaide Oval.

# 'Champagne' for Tigers



by GRAHAM FISCHER

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A much faster Glenelg humiliated Norwood with a sensational performance at Football Park to run out winners by 42 points.

Norwood were bamboozled and bewildered as Glenelg's Stephen Copping, Graham Cornes and later Darryl Rady ran riot in the forward lines.

Not even the draughty passageways of Football Park could hide the Redleg shame as they succumbed to the champagne play of the Black and Golds.

Norwood lost ace ruckman Neil Button before the game but really his absence had little effect on the end result.

Admittedly, "Superboy" Peter Carey was magnificent to half-time winning the rucks and picking up marks and kicks around the ground but still Norwood trailed by only 19 points at half-time, and in fact had held an 11 point lead midway through the second term.

### Dominant

Carey eventually left the ground with a hamstring strain early in the third term but he was not a major participant in the wonderful Glenelg on-

slaught from midway through the second term.

From the 15 minute mark of the second term to three-quarter time, Glenelg absolutely dominated adding 8-12 to Norwood's 3-1. But of that, two goals came in a minute for the Redlegs at the 28 minute mark of the third term.

It was a fast and furious opening.

The Bays began better with Stephen Copping losing his "shadow" Grant Zubrinich but he could only post 0.3 with several disappointing shots.

Norwood's movement forward came through Terry von Bertouch and Greg Nicholson while up forward Jim Thiel at centre half-forward and Paul Adler in a permanent forward pocket gave attacking avenues.

Norwood looked the goods early in the second term getting drive through

the rovers and Adler proving a real handful up forward.

But when Thiel crashed heavily midway through the term, Norwood stopped.

### Exploded

Peter Marker took the centre clearly from Neil Craig while Neville Caldwell picked up a wing and rovers Kym Hodgeman and David Johnston starting winning more balls from packs.

Darryl Rady exploded across half-forward to lend a hand to Cornes and Copping up forward.

Cornes at centre half-forward, led Stephen Kerley a merry chase.

Norwood tried hard to get back into the game after half-time with an emphasis on handball, but it backfired.

They handballed to players already marked and kicked into attack hoping for rather than finding teammates and more often than not, kicking to Bay defenders.

Glenelg's brilliance pinpointed many flaws in the Norwood side and coach Bob Hammond and his team of selectors have plenty of thinking to re-establish the Redlegs to the poise which took them to an NFL championship.

As for the Bays, they've come good at the right end of the season and with their devastating forward set-up are definitely on the premiership trail.

### ATTENDANCES

Football Park	12,916
Elizabeth Oval	3,556
Thebarton Oval	3,275
Unley Oval	10,870
Adelaide Oval	4,228
<b>Total:</b>	<b>34,845</b>

### NEXT ROUND

SATURDAY	
PORT v. GLENELG	Football Park.
WEST v. WOODVILLE	Richmond Oval.
TORRENS v. NORTH	Thebarton Oval.
STURT v. NORWOOD	Unley Oval.
SUNDAY	
SOUTH v. CENTRALS	Football Park.