

LEAGUE DETAILS

ALBERTON OVAL

Table with 5 columns: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Port, West

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: Cunningham, Porplycia, Gerlach, Ebert, Kinnear, Voit. WEST: Hewitt, Stevenson, Morris, Williams, Kennedy, Grimwood. SCORERS—PORT: Gerlach 8.5, Porplycia 4.2...

GLENELG OVAL

Table with 5 columns: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Glen, North

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Carey, Cornes, McInerney, D. Phillips, Caldwell, Copping, Hodgeman. NORTH: Howard, Jaworskyj, Diorio, McCann. SCORERS—GLENELG: Cornes 6.4, Copping 5.3...

FOOTBALL PARK

Table with 5 columns: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Nwd, Torrens

BEST PLAYERS—NORWOOD: Dunstan, Gallager, Adler, Von Bertouch, Woodcock, Rosser, Button, Kerley. TORRENS: P. Cousins, Meade, Feletic, Wallace. GOALKICKERS—NORWOOD: Adler 10.6, Woodcock 5.4...

ELIZABETH OVAL

Table with 5 columns: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Wdv, Cent

BEST PLAYERS—WOODVILLE: McVicar, Mulvihill, Heaven, Hine, Girardi, Maylin. CENTRALS: Skinner, Beythien, Mobbs, Jones, M. Norsworthy, R. Cochrane. GOALKICKERS—WOODVILLE: Mulvihill 7.4...

UNLEY OVAL

Table with 5 columns: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: South, Sturt

BEST PLAYERS—SOUTH: Robbins, Doyle, Cox, Reimann, Fry, Mousley. STURT: Winter, Bagshaw, Miels, Davies, Sims, Cece. SCORERS—SOUTH: Robbins 4.2, Fry 4.1...

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

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

LEADING GOALKICKERS

Table with 3 columns: Games, Today, Total. Rows: Cornes (Glenelg), Gerlach (Port), Adler (Norwood), Mulvihill (Woodville), Robran (North), Copping (Glenelg), Palm (Norwood), Ravlich (West), Whelan (Sturt), Hill (North), Robbins (South), Phillipou (Torrens), Cunningham (Port), Cahill (Port), Whatman (Port)

ATTENDANCES

Table with 2 columns: Venue, Attendance. Rows: Football Park, Elizabeth Oval, Alberton Oval, Glenelg Oval, Unley Oval, Total

NEXT ROUND

Saturday, May 7: South v. Port, Football Park; Central v. Sturt, Elizabeth Oval; Woodville v. Glenelg, Woodville Oval; Norwood v. North, Norwood Oval. Sunday, May 8: West. v. Torrens, Football Park

SIX FROM THE STICKS!

... AND THREE SHOCK OMISSIONS

By Graham Fischer and Mike Pilkington

Fourteen new faces, including six surprise selections—that's the story of South Australia's 30-man State squad announced last night.

Major omissions were Port pair Randall Gerlach and Peter Voit and Woodville ruckmen Colin MacVicar.

The squad was picked by State selectors, Don Roach, Neil Kerley and Geoff Motley.

The State team will play Western Australia at Football Park on Monday, May 16.

New faces in the squad are Glenelg's Stephen Copping and Neville Caldwell; Alan Howard and Rodney Robran (North); Stephen Kerley, Neil Craig (Norwood); Carl Fragomeni (Port); Peter

Beythien (Centrals); Robert Klomp (Sturt); Andrew Bennett, Graham Robbins (South); Henry Dabrowski (Torrens); Dexter Kennedy (West); and Frank Stemper (Woodville).

However, of those, Copping, Craig, Klomp, Bennett and Kennedy were all chosen in the Under 21 State team which played Queensland at Football Park two years ago. A shortage of class half-back flankers has led to

the inclusion of North's Alan Howard and Frank Stemper of Woodville. These two have been consistent defenders for several seasons.

Speculation

The selection of Glenelg's deadly forward duo Graham Cornes and Stephen Copping leaves open to speculation whether State coach Neil Kerley could employ Glenelg coach John Nicholls' highly successful tactics of having Cornes as permanent forward pocket.

Cornes leads the goal-kicking list with 27 — and the two of them have booted 45 goals this season.

Only two wingmen, Neville Caldwell and Philip Gallagher have been picked. South's Ron Kateley was unlucky not to miss out.

Fred Phillis has made such a success of his switch from full forward to full back he could become the third player in the past 15 years to represent the State in both positions.

The others were Doug Thomas and Max James. Port's "twins" Darrell Cahill and Brian Cunningham were the only rovers named.

The State squad will train on Wednesday night at Football Park. All players must be there by 3.30 p.m.

The State team will be announced on Wednesday night, May 11 after training and the 20 chosen will be ineligible to play for their clubs in the following Saturday round.

THE SQUAD

The squad is: Sturt — Rick Davies, Paul Bagshaw, Robert Klomp, Bruce Winter, Michael Graham, Port—Darrell Cahill, Russell Ebert, Brian Cunningham, Carl Fragomeni, Max James, Norwood — Neil Craig, Stephen Kerley, Michael Taylor, Neil Button, Philip Gallagher, Glenelg — Graham Cornes, Stephen Copping, Peter Carey, Neville Caldwell, Fred Phillis, South — Andrew Bennett, Graham Robbins, West—Dexter Kennedy, Glynn Hewitt, North — Alan Howard, Bohdan Jaworskyj, Rodney Robran, Torrens — Henry Dabrowski, Centrals — Peter Beythien, Woodville—Frank Stemper.

SOUTH—THE '77 TEAM

South confirmed their new-found dominance over Sturt yesterday to prove beyond all doubt that they are a force in 1977.

They have now beaten Sturt twice and drew the other of their last three encounters with the Blues and the manner and dedication of yesterday's win indicates they are in the finals race.

South sits staunchly in third slot today with only one loss while Sturt have plummeted to seventh, with only two wins.

The Blues are on a similar path to last season when they went on to win a premiership but the Panthers' early successes ensure that Sturt will have a long, hard road to make it consecutive premierships.

The Blues' problems have been enlarged with Mick Nunan (bruised ribs) and Geoff Lauder (badly

bruised left hand) already out for Tuesday night's NFL clash with Claremont and also in doubt for next Saturday's game against Centrals.

South ruckman Peter Hines (pulled hamstring) was another casualty from the Unley Oval game and will miss next week.

West Torrens' woes did not end with their 22-goal humiliation by Norwood at Football Park.

They lost defender Mike Cousins for the rest of the season with a re-occurrence of a dislocated shoulder and he will have an operation to have it corrected.

Greg White, just back from injury suffered concussion and will miss the next match.

Woodville wingman Steve Parsons was reported for striking during the game against Centrals.

FABULOUS FOUR SEALED IT FOR THE BAYS

Four magnificent men and the rest of the Glenelg side showed North how to play football yesterday at the Bay.

The fabulous foursome, Peter Carey, Graham Cornes, Peter McInerney and Fred Phillis grabbed 50 marks between them.

Carey, the Tigers' powerful first ruck, took 20 strong marks with Cornes chipping in with 18.

Glenelg completely out-classed and overwhelmed a disappointing North in the second half.

They won by more than 12 goals... and that's after trailing the Roosters for more than a quarter and a half.

DYNAMITE

North shocked Glenelg with their opening.

Acting-captain Barry Stringer was dynamite on a wing, Russell Palmer and Robert Diorio picked up kicks at will and Bohdan Jaworskyj and Alan Howard held the defence firm to give their side plenty of chances to kick away.

If it hadn't been for Cornes in the first quarter, Glenelg could have been in real trouble.

He notched their first four goals and kept the Tigers in touch.

The first half of the second quarter saw North continue the pressure.

But, after attacking incessantly, the Roosters could manage only 1-5.

THE BAYS



by MIKE PILKINGTON

Table with 5 columns: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Final, Pts. Rows: Glen, North

They were costly misses which the Bays gladly took advantage of.

Rover Peter McInerney eventually put Glenelg in front with a good goal and they never looked back.

After half-time North were never in the hunt. The Tigers piled on 11-10 to a miserable 2-7 from North.

North did not have one winner up forward with ability to take the big mark.

Any attack that looked promising was put paid to by Fred Phillis at fullback and Peter Carey resting in the backpocket.

STRONG MAN

Phillis took 12 strong marks and gave out six handpasses.

After Cornes' early onslaught on the goal, it was Stephen Copping's turn to bag a few.

He booted four after half-time and the two forwards put together 11 goals for the game.

They have now kicked 45 goals between them in the five games.

The third quarter saw Glenelg go for a percentage win with 7-8 to a meagre 1-1 from North.

Wayne Phillis played his typical stragman game at centre half-forward and rover Kym Hodgeman came alive in the second half picking up 20 kicks.

Glenelg continued the rout in the last quarter to eventually win by 73 points.

It was not a happy day for North, and it was made even worse when Peter Sporn went down in the last quarter with a dislocated elbow.

For North to make it this season they definitely need the high-flying Peter Cloke and Rodney Robran to fire up forward.

Robran could not get into the game at centre half-forward or at full forward, and was eventually taken off.

Cloke was out injured. But no credit can be taken away from the Bays.