

Bays say goodbye

By Alan Shiell

Glenelg finally said goodbye to the '79 season yesterday.

West Torrens now seems certain to miss the finals. And North Adelaide is in real trouble.

LEAGUE DETAILS

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Woodville	4-4	5-7	6-10	9-12	66
Glenelg	1-2	5-4	6-4	7-7	49

BEST — WOODVILLE: Maylin, Hardy, Sewer, Goodingham, D. Hewitt, Hutton. GLENELG: Carey, Cornes, Armfield, Hodgeman, Marshall.
SCORERS — WOODVILLE: G. Hewitt 2.1, Close 2.0, Sewer 1.1, D. Hewitt 1.1, Carty 1.1, Mildenhall 1.1, Howard 1.1, Hutton 0.1, Roberts 0.1, Parker 0.1, Darmody 0.1, rushed 0.2. GLENELG: Hodgeman 4.0, Holst 1.1, D. Bradley 1.1, Marshall 1.0, Weston 0.1, Carey 0.1, Cornes 0.1, Copping 0.1, rushed 0.1.
UMPIRES — Peter Mead, Mark Coombe.

THEBARTON OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3-2	6-7	8-13	10-16	76
Torrens	2-0	3-1	6-3	7-5	47

BEST — PORT: Giles, Phillips, Cahill, Belton, Boyd, Sorrell. TORRENS: Manouge, Grinter, Hewitt, White, Lindsay, Rendell.
SCORERS — PORT: Boyd 3.1, Belton 2.2, Cahill 2.1, Tredrea 2.0, Giles 1.0, Evans 0.3, Clifford 0.2, Paletic 0.1, Cunningham 0.1, Gill 0.1, Eckerman 0.1, rushed 0.2. TORRENS: McSparran 2.0, Phillipou 2.0, Giles 1.0, Lindsay 1.0, Curnow 1.0, Inglis 0.1, Hewitt 0.1, Hill 0.1, rushed 0.3.
INJURIES — PORT: Kinnear (hip). TORRENS: Marriott (hamstring), Robson (ankle).
UMPIRES — John Caulfield and Des Foster.

RICHMOND OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	7-4	7-5	10-8	12-8	80
South	3-1	6-4	6-4	8-7	55

BEST — WEST: Borchard, Kennedy, Dunlop, R. Bennett, Papst, Morris, Rechner, Beswick, SOUTH: Baynes, Hateley, Butler, Hines.
SCORERS — WEST: Borchard 2.1, Pierson 2.0, R. Bennett 2.0, Rechner 2.0, Dunhill 2.0, Dunlop 1.2, Drew 1.1, Weideman 0.1, Morris 0.1, rushed 0.2. SOUTH: Butler 2.0, Linke 1.2, A. Bennett 1.1, Slattery 1.0, Harradine 1.0, Keam 1.0, G. Brooksby 1.0, Baynes 0.2, Hateley 0.1, rushed 0.1.
INJURIES — SOUTH: Fry (bruised right calf, third term).
UMPIRES — Trevor Thomas, Rick Kinnear.

PROSPECT OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	4-1	9-6	11-9	14-16	100
North	5-4	7-6	8-9	10-11	71

BEST — STURT: Davies, Hardeman, P. Heinrich, Howard, Zilm, Sims, Coulls. NORTH: Baruzzi, Pelle, Cloke, Riley, W. Stringer.
SCORERS — STURT: P. Heinrich 3.6, Davies 3.1, Coulls 2.2, Whelan 2.0, Baughaw 1.2, J. Warren 1.1, Friedrichs 1.0, Zilm 1.0, Graham 0.1, K. Warren 0.1, rushed 0.2. NORTH: Baruzzi 4.3, Tocaciu 2.1, Redden 1.0, Alkate 1.0, Pelle 1.0, B. Stringer 1.0, Hartfield 0.2, Palmer 0.1, rushed 0.4.
INJURIES — STURT: Graham (ankle) off first quarter, Friedrichs (knee) off three-quarter time. NORTH: Doherty (slight concussion) off second quarter.
UMPIRES — Bob Scholefield, Rick Charlesworth.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	%
Port	16	11	5	—	1541	1362	22	53.03
South	16	10	6	—	1450	1473	20	49.61
Central	15	9	5	1	1528	1499	19	50.48
Norwood	15	9	6	—	1743	1361	18	56.15
W'ville	16	8	8	—	1589	1468	16	51.98
Sturt	16	8	8	—	1612	1636	16	49.63
North	16	7	9	—	1562	1703	14	47.84
Torrens	16	6	9	1	1438	1674	13	46.21
Glenelg	16	5	10	1	1444	1563	11	48.02
West	16	4	11	1	1526	1694	9	47.39

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Yest	Total
G. Hewitt (Woodville)	16	2.1	61.43
Evans (Port)	12	—	46.31
Carty (Woodville)	16	1.1	42.22
P. Heinrich (Sturt)	16	3.6	38.30
Slattery (South)	16	1.0	37.27
Pierson (West)	12	2.0	35.17
Luders (West)	15	—	34.30
Whelan (Sturt)	13	2.0	33.23

CROWDS

Football Park	3887
Thebarton	4486
Prospect	4490
Richmond	2064
Total	14,927

PROGRAM

TODAY: Central v. Norwood (Elizabeth).
SATURDAY: Glenelg v. Torrens (Football Park), Sturt v. Central (Unley), Port v. West (Alberton), Woodville v. North (Woodville), Norwood v. South (Norwood).

Two more 'odd' goals

TWO goals were disputed at Football Park yesterday, and both went Woodville's way in its 17-point win over Glenelg.

The first incident happened at the 13-minute mark when Woodville's Ralph Sewer goaled.

Glenelg defender Robbie Walter appeared to carry the ball through, but the goal umpire still judged it a goal.

In the third quarter Glenelg's Graham Cornes kicked what looked a goal, but the umpire awarded a mark to a Woodville defender

Woodville and Sturt have emerged from the pack of contenders to be the main challengers for what appeared to be only one vacant spot in the final five.

But they could both make it!

South Adelaide may well be in the hot seat after winning only two of its last six matches.

The Panthers led the premiership table for most of the season, yet they could still miss a place in the finals by losing their remaining six games.

That is possible, even if South fans believe it is ludicrous to suggest.

South has to play Norwood (at (Norwood), Sturt (Adelaide), Port Adelaide (Alberton), Woodville (Football Park), North (Adelaide) and Central District (Elizabeth).

No surety

Not one of those six matches can be labelled a certain win for South.

Winner of today's Central-Norwood clash at Elizabeth will claim second position from South, which will slip to third spot.

Coach Hadyn Bunton urgently needs to find the formula that enabled the Panthers to win eight of their first 10 matches.

Woodville whips Tigers

Woodville, against the wind and headed in the last quarter, snatched victory from the jaws of defeat against Glenelg at Football Park yesterday.

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It was proof Woodville has matured, and as one player summed it up, "A few years ago we would have dropped our bundle."

The Peckers just ran and ran in the last quarter, and like a final five side, players lifted to the occasion.

Glenelg played great football in the third quarter to hold Woodville to one goal with the wind, and when Kym Hodgeman kicked his fourth goal at the seven minute mark of the last quarter, most people thought the game was over.

Coach Barry Goodingham, who played a major role in the revival, told his players at three-quarter time to carry the ball into the forward lines, run

FINANCIAL DISASTER

Only 14,927 fans turn up

By Alan Shiell

Yesterday's miserable weather turned league football's sixteenth round into a financial disaster for eight clubs.

Total attendance at the four matches was a paltry 14,927 — possibly the lowest Saturday aggregate on record.

Given a fine day, the games deserved — and probably would have drawn — a total crowd of more than 30,000.

West Adelaide and South Adelaide will lose money through pulling only 2064 people to Richmond Oval.

The cry is bound to go up that suburban oval facilities, especially in the outer, are inadequate.

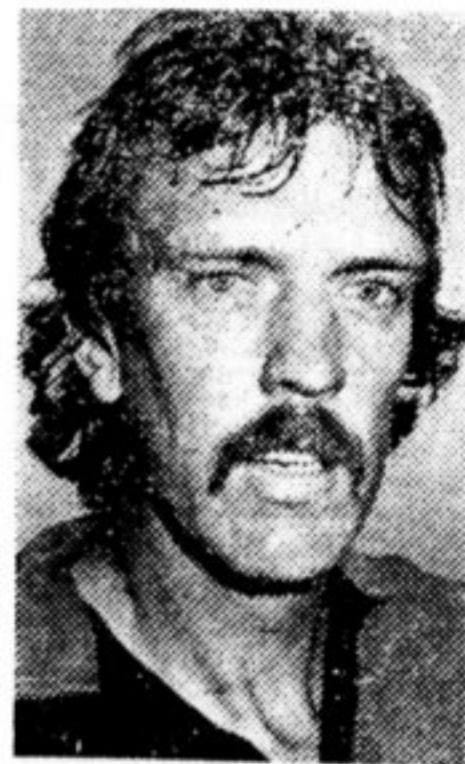
They might be, but only the stoutest souls would have braved yesterday's bleak conditions — wet and freezing.

It was an exceptionally bad day; easily the worst of the season.

It also provided further ammunition for those league and club administrators who are advocating a rationalisation of grounds — reducing the number to even only two, Football Park and Adelaide Oval.

With wet weather forecast again for today, the crowd at the Central District-Norwood match at Elizabeth also will be well down.

Central officials were hoping for a record attendance at Elizabeth. Best is 15,271, at the Central-Sturt match on August 26, 1972.



Barry Goodingham

Best on ground was the dashing Phil Maylin, who must surely rate a top chance to win the Magarey Medal.

He played on the ball for four quarters and his direct kicking and accurate handballing set up many fine passages of play which resulted in goals.

Maylin had 29 kicks and 15 handballs, and his unselfish and disciplined effort was an inspiration to his team mates.

Many others contributed to the win including, the not so well known, Clyde Hardy on a half-back flank.

He read the play extremely well and consistently guided Woodville into attack and out of trouble.

Hardy was well supported by Barry Tyrrell and Lindsay Heaven in defence.

Ralph "Zip Zap" Sewer was his dangerous self and put Woodville into attack from centre and on a wing.

By Ashley Porter

and look for team-mates.

They did it to perfection, and Glenelg, which looked so good when it ran, decided to stay back, watch and wait for the ball to come to it.

Lifted

Woodville lifted when Goodingham gained control in ruck, while Peter Carey, Glenelg's best player, was resting at centre half-forward.

By the time Carey went back on the ball, the damage had been done because Goodingham gave the Peckers method in their game.

Hodgeman and Graham Cornes were also off the ball during a crucial two minute period when Woodville kicked goals to recapture the lead.

Carey finished with 18 kicks, 27 hit outs and 10 handballs, Hodgeman with 21-kicks and 12 handballs, and Cornes with 26 kicks and 10 handballs.

That was how much influence they had on the game, but when Woodville lifted the trio was helpless and Glenelg had no answer.

who appeared to be over the goal line when he marked.

Both incidents received jeers from the crowd, but both times the goal umpires were in better positions to judge than the spectators.

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