

Round 14, 1980

Final five may be decided

League football's final five may well be decided after yesterday's round 14 of the 22-match minor round series.

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Contrast

If the top five remains intact, there will be three new finalists — Glenelg, West Torrens and Sturt.

Glenelg already has ensured it will play in this year's finals instead of Woodville (fifth last season), and Torrens and Sturt seem certain to replace South Adelaide (runner-up) and Norwood (fourth).

While Glenelg and Port Adelaide are certain finalists and Torrens are near-certainties, Sturt and Central District still are likely to feel some pressure from South and Norwood.

The two-game advantage Sturt now holds over South and Norwood may disappear over the next three weeks.

Sturt has three tough matches — against Port (Football Park), Central (Football Park), and Glenelg (Unley).

South plays Woodville (Adelaide), Torrens (Thebarton) and eWst Adelaide (Football Park).

Norwood meets Glenelg (Norwood), Woodville (Woodville), North Adelaide (Norwood).

But then Sturt's run home to the finals is easier than that of South and Norwood, based on current form, and on all teams' positions on the ladder now.

South's slide has been the most spectacular this season.

Haydn Bunton's Panthers won four of their first six matches, but have succeeded in only two of their past eight, including one of the last six.

In stark contrast, Sturt won three of its first eight games, but has lost only one of its past six and, in the process has stolen

South's place in the top five.

If the Blues can maintain their form, Torrens will continue to feel nervous about keeping third position — and the double chance that goes with it.

Glenelg and Port still look a cut above all other sides and deservedly are short-priced favorites to clash in the grand final.



Haydn Bunton... his team has won only one of its last six matches.

Goal-glut for Glenelg as Woodville wilts

Once again SA football's Cinderella side Woodville was given a sound thrashing and sent to bed without any supper.

The gloom of Woodville's humiliating 76-point defeat was in marked contrast to Glenelg, whose players feasted on victory steak.

Glenelg is difficult to beat these days on any ground, but at the Bay yesterday the Tigers ruled supreme.

Neville Caldwell, Stephen Copping and the vastly improved Michael Farquhar were the architects of a great team effort by Glenelg.

To their credit, the Peckers showed their customary fight early on.

They surprised Glenelg with their tough attack in the first term when kicking into a stiff breeze.

Almost inevitably Woodville captain Ralph Sewer was the Peckers' best player and the tough little bloke had to be best afield.

Statistically, Sewer grabbed a colossal 17 marks, gave out 15 hand balls, had 19 kicks, most of which were effective, and even rose high at a bounce to win a tap out.

Incidents

Sadly, Sewer had few helpers, except for men like Russell Hutton, Brian Close and the talented Darryl Hewitt.

The game was marred by



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Glenelg 26-17, W'ville 13-19

some spiteful stuff in the second term and the home crowd was brought to its feet in dismay when big Wayne Carty grabbed Graham Cornes in what suspiciously looked to be a stranglehold.

The umpire was only a few yards from the "offence," yet no report was made.

I suspect Glenelg coach John Halbert will send a lengthy report on that incident and a couple of others in the second term when he writes to umpiring director Murray Ducker this week.

Glenelg had winners all round the ground for most of the day.

Farquhar was superb at centre-half-back and Caldwell was equally good at centre-half-forward.

Carty controlled the ruck and Hodgeman, although not quite at his brilliant best, played well enough to be high in the

Tigers' best.

Glenelg used quick-fire handball and short kicking in the second term against the wind to completely shut Woodville out of the game.

The Peckers' frustration in not being able to score more than one goal up until the dying stages of the second quarter could have led to those spiteful incidents.

Halbert was pleased with the big win, although a little disappointed that Woodville was able to "come back" and score easy goals in the time-on periods of the second and third quarters.

"Still, if we kicked 26 goals every week we would not lose too many," he smiled.

As for the loser, poor old Woodville, it was the same old story.

Too much expected of too few... beaten by a vastly better team.

LEAGUE DETAILS

ELIZABETH

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Central	2-6	5-8	8-12	14-14	98
North	3-6	7-8	10-13	12-17	89

BEST — CENTRAL: M. Norsworthy, Gillies, Jonas, Mobbs, Lehmann, Prior, Cochrane. NORTH: Leske, Conder, Downie, McAdam, B. Stringer.

SCORES — CENTRAL: M. Norsworthy 5.0; Stevenson 4.1; Gillies 1-3; Jonas 1-2; Mobbs 1-1; Cochrane 1-0; Lehmann 1.0; McLay 0-2; Wilson 0-2; Mutze 0-1; rushed 0.2. NORTH: Leske 3.3; Stanbridge 2.2; Conder 2-2; Downie 1.0; Schen, 1-0; Arnold, 1.0; Diorio, 0.2; McAdam, 0.1 B. Stringer, 0.1; Hoekman, 0.1; rushed, 0.5.

INJURIES — CENTRAL: Mobbs (twisted knee), Beythien (bruised hip), Vivian (ankle ligaments, knee). NORTH: Stanbridge (bruised hip), Clisby (hamstring).

UMPIRES — John Hyllton, Ric Charlesworth. REPORT — John Duckworth (Central) for allegedly using abusive language towards an umpire by field umpire Hyllton in third quarter.

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	1-3	3-10	7-16	14-18	102
Norwood	4-6	6-11	8-13	9-16	70

BEST — TORRENS: Galt, McSparran, Lindsay, N. Roberts, Flew, Enright, Jackman, Phillipou, Hewitt. NORWOOD: Taylor, Taylor, Turbill, Gailagher, Menzel, Thomas, Semper, Thiel, Jenkins, Colasante.

SCORES — TORRENS: McSparran 3-2, Ingills 2-2; Jackman 2.1, Johnston 2-1; Primmer 2-1, Hewitt 1-3, N. Roberts 1-2, Lindsay 1-0, Flew 0.3, White 0.1, rushed 0.2. NORWOOD: Scrotski 2.2, Armour 2-1, Turbill 1-3, 1.3, Taylor 1-1, Woodcock 1-0, Gailagher 1.0, Thomas 1.0, Menzel 0.3, Dalwood 0-1, Adler 0.1, Schmall 0.1, rushed 0.3.

INJURIES — TORRENS: M. Pavlich (dislocated shoulder), White (hamstring). UMPIRES — Peter Mead, Trevor Thomas.

GLENELG

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	8-5	12-7	20-11	26-17	173
Woodville	3-5	7-9	11-15	13-19	97

BEST — GLENELG: Caldwell, Farquhar, Copping, Marshall, Hodgeman, Carev, Cornes, Paynter. WOODVILLE: Sewer, Close, D. Hewitt, Matheson.

SCORES — GLENELG: Walter 6.0, Frost 4.2, Copping 3.1, MacVicar 3.1, Cornes 3.1, Hodgeman 2.1, Caldwell 1.3, Paynter 1.2, Carey 1.1, Rogers 1.0, Marshall 1.0, Weston 0.1, Farquhar 0.1, rushed 0.3. WOODVILLE: Carty 3.2, Close 2.2, D. Hewitt 2.2, G. Hewitt 2.2, Parker 2.0, Parker 1.0, Matheson 1.0, Tonkin 0.3, Hutton 0.2, Goodingham 0.1, Murdoch 0.1, rushed 0.4.

INJURIES — GLENELG: Weston (right ankle). UMPIRES — Ron Stennett, Rick Kinnear.

UNLEY

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	8-6	10-10	14-18	19-22	136
South	3-3	4-9	9-12	15-14	104

BEST — STURT: Howard, Graham, Casey, Davies, Craig, Hardeman. SOUTH: Butler, Hately, Heeps, Harradine, Spiel. SCORES — STURT: Howard 5.0, Graham 3.10, Fry 2.1, Magarey 2.0, Craig 2.0, P. Heinrich 2.0, Hargreaves 1.2, Smith 1.2, Hardeman 1.0, Derrington 0.1, Smith 0.1, rushed 0.5. SOUTH: Heeps 6.0, Hately 3.3, Linke 1.1, Schneebichler 1.1, Blatterly 1.1, Collins 1.1, Fairclough 1.0, Naley 1.0, Butler 0.3, Harradine 0.1, rushed 0.3. UMPIRES — Des Foster, Rob Scholefield.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.	%
Glenelg	12	2	—	1802	1212	24	59.79
*Port	11	1	1	1865	957	23	66.09
Torrens	9	5	—	1317	1276	18	50.79
Sturt	8	6	—	1625	1529	16	51.52
Central	7	6	1	1478	1454	15	50.41
South	6	8	—	1392	1446	12	49.05
Norwood	6	8	—	1360	1462	12	48.19
North	4	10	—	1358	1652	8	45.12
*West	3	10	—	1196	1652	6	41.99
Woodville	2	12	—	1306	2059	4	38.81

*play today

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Yest	Total
Evans (Port)	13	—	78-31
Walter (Glenelg)	13	6-0	54-16
Linke (South)	14	1-1	49-26
Hollis (Sturt)	12	1-2	40-25
Carty (Woodville)	14	3-2	34-27
Agius (Port)	13	—	33-13
Woodcock (Norwood)	12	1-0	32-22

CROWDS

Football Park	9560
Elizabeth	6716
Glenelg	5761
Unley	8138
Total	30,175

NEXT WEEK

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

IN OTHER STATES

MELBOURNE: Geelong 17-15, Hawthorn 4-13; Collingwood 11-22, Essendon 13-8; Fitzroy 15-19, Richmond 12-16; South Melbourne 6-14, St Kilda 5-6; North Melbourne 15-19, Footscray 7-8; Carlton 18-24, Melbourne 15-13. PERTH: East Fremantle 17-22, Subiaco 9-12; Claremont 18-15, Perth 10-18; East Perth 11-19, West Perth 9-11; South Fremantle 11-21, Swan Districts 10-8.