MAIL FOOTBALL ... FIRST WITH THE FACTS

Forget Norwood, but not Kerley's men

It might sound ridiculously premature, but Norwood, Woodville, and West Adelaide already are shaping as the also-rans of this 1980 league football season.

Round 2, 1980

ALBERTON OVAL

3rd Final Pts. 13-13 21-16 27-20 182 Norwood

BEST — PORT: Cahill, Clifford, Evans, Granger, Eckerman, Faletic, Cunningham, Abernathy, Ebert, NORWOOD: Dunstan, Jenkins, Taylor, Hoffman.

SCORERS — PORT: Evans 9.2, Faletic 3.2, Granger 3.1, Cahill 3.0, Clifford 2.2, Cunningham 2.2, Ebert 1.3, Belton 1.2, Agius 1.1, Abernethy 1.0, Kinnear 1.0; rushed 0.5, NORWOOD: Kerley 3.1, Dunstan 2.1, Theil 2.0, Zadow 1.1, Menzel 1.1, Gallagher 1.0, Turbill 1.0, Hoffman 0.1, Taylor 0.1, Adler 0.1; rushed 0.1.

INJURIES—PORT: Nil. NORWOOD: Colasante (dislocated shoulder second term). Stasinowsky (recurrence of back injury second term.

UMPIRES: Roger Magor and Bob Schofield.

WOODVILLE OVAL

Final -5 **22—8 30—12 192** Sturt

BEST.—STURT: Craig. Fry. Brand, Hollis, Howard, Casey, Wilson, Sims. WOODVILLE: Sewer, Close, Sapwell, Mur-doch, Parker, Hounsell.

SCORERS.—STURT: Hollis 8.1. Heinrich 5.1. Graham 4.4. Hargreaves 3.2. Brand 3.0. Craig 2.0. Wilson 1.1. Davies 1.0. Fry 1.0. Friedrichs 1.0 Sims 1.0. rushed 0.3. WOOD-VILLE: Sapwell 3.2. Murdoch 2.3. G. Hewitt 2.2. Carty 2.0. Tonkin 1.2. Hounsell 0.2. Hutton 0.1. Darmody 0.1. Simpson 0.1. Hardy 0.1. Krieg 0.1. rushed 0.3.

INJURIES.—STURT: Davies (bruised hip), B. Howard (sore feet). Bogshaw (back) withdrew before game. WOOD-VILLE: Close (back), Hutton (hamstring).

UMPIRES -Rick Kinnear, Brendon O'Connor.

FOOTBALL PARK

2nd orrens West

BEST-TORRENS: Cox. Cousins, Grambeau, Jackman. Marriott. Manouge, S. White, Hanna, Green, Flew. WEST: Fielke Rechner, Drew. Summerton, Gregg, Tredrea, Winter. SCORERS—TORRENS: S. White 5.3. Jackman 3.3. Flew 1. Roberts 2.0. Hanna 1.3. Calvun 1.1. Green 1.0. Marriott 0. Manouge 0.1. Rendell 0.1. Galt 0.1 Lindsay 0.1. rushed 2. WEST: Tredrea 2.1. Gurney 2.1. Winter 1.1. Forchard 1.0. Davoren 0.2. Pierson 0.1. Dunhill 0.1. Summerton 0.1.

INJURIES TORRENS: Giles (knee) off first quarter. UMPIRES Peter Mead. Trevor Thomas.

GLENELG OVAL

Glenelg North —10 14—13 17—15 11*7*

BEST-GLENELG: Weston, Hodgeman, Carey, Marshall, Copping, Holst. NORTH: Stanbridge, Cloke, Hill, Nunan, SCORERS-GLENELG: Weston 4.3. Copping 4.0, Woite 3.2, Hodgeman 2.3, Caldwell 2.2, Marshall 2.2, McInerney 2.1, Walter 1.1, B adley 1.0, MacVicar 0.1, rushed 0.2, NOBTH: Stanbridge 6.2, Hill 3.0, R. Robran 2.2, McAdam 2.0, Algate 1.3, Redden 1.1, Palmer 1.0, Doherty 1.0, Pelle 0.2, Nunan 0.1, rushed 0.4 0.1. rushed 0 4 UMPRIES: John Hylton and Frank McHugh.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.	%
Sturt	 2	-	_	309	173	4	64.11
Glenelg .	 2	_	-	276	174	4	61.33
Torrens .	 2	_	_	229	150	4	60.42
Port	 1	_	1	254	146	3	63.50
South	 1	_	_	94	50	2	65.28
Central .	 _	_	1	72	72	1	50.00
North	 _	2	_	211	259	_	44.90
Woodville	 _	2	-	183	308	-	37.27
Norwood	 _	2	_	124	276	_	31.00
West	 _	2	_	103	247	_	29.43

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Yest	Total
Evans (Port)	2	9-2	11-5
Jackman (Torrens	2	3-3	9-4
P. Heinrich (Sturt)	2	5-1	8-3
Hollis (Sturt)	1	8-1	8-1
Weston (Glenelg)	2	3-2	6-4

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Football P	ark		6,302
Alberton .		٠.	13,441
Glenelg			8,685
Woodville			5,434
Total			33,862

PROGRAM

TODAY: Central v South (Football Park). Next Saturday: Port v Woodville (Football Park), North v South (Prospect), Norwood v West (Norwood), Sturt Torrens (Unley). Glenelg Central (Glenelg).

INTERSTATE FOOTBALL

MELBOURNE — Essendon 24-12. South Melbourne 14-17; Hawthorn 19-16. Collingwood 16-23; Richmond 18-20. St Kilda 19-14; Carlton 17-17, Footscray 14-10; Gelong 17-17, Melbourne 14.9; North Melbourne 21-22, Fitzroy 14.18. NHOBART — Winfield Cup round three; Clarence 29-25; Longford 8-9; Hobart 16-12, East Launceston 1-11; North Launceston 21-18, North Hobart 8-10; Scottdale 17-15, Smithton 4-12; Glenorchy 14-14, Ulverstone 12-15; East Devonport 14-16 Wynyard 10-11; Launceston 21-12, Penguin 18-5, Latrobe 13-12, City-South 8-15, Devonport 16-17, Burnie 9-17.

PERTH — Perth 27-20. Subjaco 12-10: Claremont 24-14. East Fremantle 15-21: Swan Districts 21-20 East Perth 19-10: South Fremantle 15-18. West Perth 15-11. RUGBY LEAGUE - Manly 34. Eastern Suburbs 7.

Sturt and Glenelg confirmed yesterday they are vast improvers from last season and you can put West Torrens in that category, too.

The Eagles have disposed of Woodville and West in their first two matches. It's nothing to brag about, but the way they took West apart proved to me that Neil Kerley's men will be much more nuisance value for opposing teams this season.

A clearer indication of Torrens' potential will come in its next two matches - against Sturt at Unley on Saturday and against Glenelg at Adelaide Oval the following Friday (Anzac Day).

Lost talent

Torrens will be mindful of its impressive start last season when it drew with Central District, and beat West, Norwood, and Woodville.

Then it won only six of its last 18 matches and finished eighth, ahead of Sturt and West.

Norwood has more worries than it has conceded. To be thrashed by 108 points at Alberton is a disgrace, but also a reflection of the wealth of talent the Redlegs have lost through transfers and injuries.

No-one envies new coach Neil Balme's task of trying to regroup his forces. He appears neaded for a long, frustrating winter.

Woodville coach Bary Goodingham and West coach Trevor Hughes are in the same boat. Neither seems to have the material to build a consistent outBy Alan Shiell

Port Adelaide looks even stronger than last season, when it won the premiership, The Magpies will provide the measuring stick for the long-term prospects of Sturt, Glenelg and Tor-

And that's not forgetting South Adelaide and Central District, impressive first-round performers who clash at Football Park today in a match that should lift the aggregate crowd for the second series close to 50,000.



TIGER rover Kym Hodgeman looked angry but North star Rodney Robran shrugged off this incident at Glenela Oval yesterday.

Paul should key to the city



JOHN QUITTA

Glenelg 21-17, North 17-15.

Don't be surprised if there's a monument erected at the bottom of Jetty Rd today for brilliant Glenelg captain Paul Weston.

Weston's mastery throughout the four quarters was instrumental in the Tigers' 26point triumph over North at Glenela yesterday.

When North looked ran did not want to comlike taking control in the first half Weston continually roved the oval and steadied play

Then in the final half, with socks dangling around his ankles and occasionally limping from a knock in the third quarter, Weston still did almost as he our first half but we liked North.

And what a way to celebrate his twenty-third birthday of last Wednes- it. day as the Tigers finally

got into top gear. The popular Weston kicked 4-3, had 28 kicks, nine handballs and eight marks in an outstanding

North fell into a crater. in the second half after grabbing a handy 21-point lead at the long break, but lacking.

wonder coach Barrie Rob- great authority; and wing-

ment after the game.

But Glenelg coach John Halbert did.

"North's first half was better than ours. It had more contributors and ran the ball better," he said.

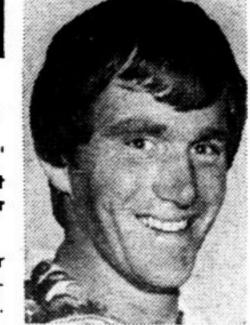
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"I was not pleased with against a tiring started effectively in the third quarter and finished the game full of running." In a nutshell, that was

> Glenelg made no bones about snatching the lead when it booted nine goals in the third term - four from the boot of a rampant Stephen Copping who roamed the forward zones as though he owned them. Glenelg certainly had its

Rover Kym Hodgeman fitness in weather condu- was as workman-like as cive more to cricket, was ever as he picked up 20 kicks and shot out 13 hand-Although North was far balls; Peter Carey domifrom disgraced it was no nated the tap outs with

winners.



Weston brilliant

David Marshall man looked a class player.

Defender David Holst celebrated his 100th League match without any blemishes and Copping had enough patches of individual brilliance to be one of the best.

Former Norwood reserves full forward Craig Stanbridge was the find of the day for North.

He finished with 6.2 from centre half-forward after replacing Brenton Hartfield and absolutely caned the Tigers' centre half-back Michael Farquhar.

Roosters centre halfback Peter Cloke did his job well against a lackadaisical Peter Wolte who came off in the final quar-

Certainly there's talent at Prospect, but the lack of finesse at this early stage of the season will prove costly when it matters most later.

