

## LEAGUE DETAILS

### UNLEY OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	4-4	9-8	17-12	21-17	143
Sturt	4-7	7-14	12-18	16-23	119

**BEST.** — WEST: Summerton, Bennett, Morris, Conlen, Mickan, Lindner, R. Winter. STURT: Davies, Mitley, Derlington, Paynter, Hollis, Downes.  
**SCORERS.** — WEST: Lindner 5.3; Morris 5.1; Conlen 2.2; Grosser 2.1; Luders 2.0; Fielke 2.0; Smith 1.2; Bennett 1.1; Meuret 1.0; R. Winter .02; Hamilton 0.1; Borchard 0.1; rushed 0.3. STURT: Davies 8.4; Fielke 2.4; Barbary 2.3; Heinrich 2.2; Whittlesea 1.0; Hollis 1.0; Craig 0.2; Paynter 0.1; Zubrinich 0.1; Radbone 0.1; Derlington 0.1; rushed 0.4.  
**INJURIES.** — WEST: Luders (knee); STURT: Fry (angle).  
**UMPIRES.** — Bob Scholefield, Neville Thorp.

### GLENELG OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	5-6	10-8	13-12	17-14	116
Glenelg	4-1	7-5	9-12	12-13	85

**BEST.** — SOUTH: Hawkins, Martin, Palmer, Butler, Miller. GLENELG: Kernahan, Marshall, Seebohm, Fedke.  
**SCORERS.** — SOUTH: Butler 4.0; Miller 3.2; Schneebichler 3.1; G. Brooksby 2.2; Martin 2.0; G. Hewitt 1.2; Slattery 1.1; Hateley 1.0; Keam 0.1; rushed .05. GLENELG: T. Hall 3.1; Kernahan 3.1; Marshall 2.0; Motlop 1.2; Fedke 1.1; A. Stringer 1.0; Salisbury 1.0; Twelvetree 0.3; Carey 0.1; McGinnis 0.1; McDermott 0.1; Hewie 0.1; rushed 0.1.  
**INJURIES.** — SOUTH: Cornes (hamstring), Naley (hamstring). GLENELG: W. Stringer (bruised hip).  
**UMPIRES.** — John Hlyton and David Weston.

### FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Central	6-4	9-11	14-15	21-17	143
Torrens	0-2	3-5	7-10	10-13	73

**BEST-CENTRAL:** Collins, Cunnely, Bubner, Wilson, Norsworthy, Thomas, Prior, Platten, Vivian. TORRENS: Schimmelbusch, Hanna, Enright, Dillon, Quorzoli.  
**SCORERS.** — CENTRAL: Wilson 5.2; Cunnely 4.4; Platten 2.1; Beythien 2.1; O'Neill 2.1; Collins 2.1; Van Dommele 1.1; Wharton 1.1; Hart 1.1; Norsworthy 1.0; Robertson 0.1; rushed 0.3. TORRENS: Robson 3.3; Dillon 2.3; Lindsay 2.1; Carter 1.1; Schimmelbusch 1.0; Kellett 1.0; Hanna 0.2; Stretch 0.2; Pilmore 0.1.  
**INJURIES.** — CENTRAL: Hart (groin). TORRENS: Flanagan (knee), Kellett (corked thigh).  
**UMPIRES.** — Des Foster, Rick Kinnear.

### NORWOOD OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	8-1	17-7	24-14	32-19	211
Woodville	3-3	7-8	8-11	11-12	78

**BEST PLAYERS** — NORWOOD: M. Aish, Roberts, Thomas, Neagle, O'Dwyer, McIntosh, Renfrey, Hein. WOODVILLE: Harradine, Blight, Beecroft, Hearne, Koop, Heaven.  
**SCORERS** — NORWOOD: Roberts 11.3; O'Dwyer 6.1; Thomas 4.1; Neagle 3.4; Turbill 2.1; A. Aish 2.0; Fantasia 2.0; M. Aish 1.2; Jenkins 1.1; McIntosh 0.2; Thiel 0.1; rushed 0.3. WOODVILLE: Beecroft 3.2; Blight 2.5; Harradine 2.0; Pierson 2.0; Hearne 2.0; Heaven 0.2; Bolton 0.2; rushed 0.1.  
**UMPIRES** — Ric Charlesworth, Mark Mackie.

### ALBERTON OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	7-1	10-6	15-10	22-15	147
Port	4-2	8-5	15-9	15-9	99

**BEST PLAYERS** — NORTH: Antrabus, Robertson, Hay, Armfield, Campbell, Arnold, Gehling, Phillips, McAdam. PORT: Clifford, Giles, Eckermann, Huppertz, Belton, Harris, Johnston.  
**SCORERS** — NORTH: Arnold 5.0; Robertson 4.1; McAdam 3.1; Dietrich 3.1; Armfield 2.0; Gehling 1.2; Grenfell 1.1; Antrabus 1.1; Mason 1.1; Hay 1.0; Molloy 0.2; Ellis 0.1; Campbell 0.1; Phillips 0.1; rushed 0.2. PORT: Evans 4.1; Huppertz 4.0; A. Williams 2.0; Cunningham 1.0; Clifford 1.0; S. Williams 1.0; Robertson 1.0; Faletic 1.0; Kinnear 0.1; Kemp 3.1; rushed 0.6.  
**INJURIES** — PORT: Cunningham (pulled driving muscle), Ebert (thigh muscle).  
**UMPIRES** — Laurie Argent, Jim Field.

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

Player	Games	Yesterday	Total
Davies (Sturt)	16	8.4	101.45
Roberts (Norwood)	15	11.3	76.30
Dietrich (North)	14	3.1	69.30
Luders (West)	16	2.0	64.35
Lindner (West)	16	5.3	58.48
Schneebichler (South)	15	3.1	52.33
Evans (Port)	10	4.1	49.13
Johnston (Torrens)	16	—	48.46
Smith (West)	17	1.2	44.32
Wilson (Central)	15	5.2	41.23
Kernahan (Glenelg)	16	3.1	41.18

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	F	A	Pts	%
West	14	3	2401	1773	28	57.52
Sturt	13	4	2338	1691	26	58.03
South	11	6	1829	1423	22	56.24
Norwood	9	8	1918	1653	18	53.71
North	8	9	1890	1917	16	49.65
Port	8	9	1814	1900	16	48.81
Central	7	10	1705	1754	14	49.29
Glenelg	6	11	1695	2035	12	45.44
Torrens	6	11	1727	2270	12	43.21
Woodville	3	14	1570	2471	6	38.85

### CROWDS

Football Park	5494
Glenelg	7608
Norwood	5716
Alberton	7196
Unley	13693
<b>Total</b>	<b>39707</b>

### NEXT WEEK

Saturday — Sturt v North (Football Park), South v West (Adelaide), Norwood v Torrens (Norwood), Woodville v Port (Woodville). Sunday — Central v Glenelg (Elizabeth).

## North replaces Port in top five

# THE MAGPIE SLUMP GOES ON...

By Gordon Campbell

North Adelaide yesterday replaced an ailing Port Adelaide in the top five as the pressure mounted for a major round berth.

The Magpies have slipped out of the five on percentage and are only one game clear of seventh side Central.

They have lost seven of their past nine minor round games and face missing the major round for the first time in 14 seasons.

North strengthened its final five prospects by making a farce of Port's running game in the final quarter.

The Roosters have missed the major round for the past seven seasons.

They face an acid test against Sturt at Football Park on Saturday and a loss could displace them from the five.

Any of three teams—North, Port or Central—could fill fifth spot next week.

Port has a crisis on its hands with a lack of running players.

It looked sluggish and was outclassed in the final term after making spirited revivals in the third quarter and part of the second.

The Magpies "blew it" for the third successive week.

### Confidence

Their loss yesterday though was not as humiliating as surrendering match winning leads to West and Torrens in previous

games. North can face the remaining minor round games with a renewed confidence.

It was under pressure from Port at three-quarter time yet held the home side scoreless in the final term with a powerful 7-5 blitz.

Wingman Russell Gehling started the North onslaught with a goal to give the Roosters an eight-point lead early in the term.

Gehling made an outstanding return from injury and picked up 10 kicks when they counted the most—in the final quarter.

Key forward Paul Arnold boosted the lead to 14 points with a goal after taking a strong mark in a pack.

It was his fourth goal and he joined David Robertson and acting captain Mike Armfield as North's high mark specialists for the day.

By the half-way mark of the quarter North had taken control for the first time in the game.

Arnold drove the nail in the coffin with his fifth goal at the 20-minute mark and the traditional Port fighting spirit was only a faint memory in the minds of Magpie supporters.

The Roosters were well served by many players including the dynamic Tony Antrabus and Matt Campbell who had an amazing 24 handballs.

Defenders Stephen Hay and Mike Armfield were superb in defence and kicked three goals between them.

David Wildy too was strong in defence and Robertson gave an outstanding display of powerful overhead marking.

Port, which lost rover Brian Cunningham and captain-coach Russell Ebert in the first half with driving muscle injuries, was capably served by Ben Harris who limited full-forward Grenville Dietrich to three goals.

Stephen Clifford and Paul Belton were important contributors across centre but they lacked running support from team-mates.

All-Australian Tony Giles was strong in defence along with Ivan Eckermann who played his usual honest game.

Ebert said the result was extremely disappointing especially after the side had worked hard in the third term.

"North had more run and worked for each other better," Ebert said. "Our confidence was let down badly against West and our run is stopping."

North coach Mike Nunan said his players had answered a challenge by winning.

"A lot of our players had their positions on the line before the game. "It was our youngest side this season and the least experienced—only Greg McAdam had played more than 100 games."

Nunan said his charges had simply controlled the ball in the final term.

# South keeps on the march

South Adelaide emerged from Glenelg Oval yesterday with yet another jewel for the crown it hopes to wear at the end of the season.

By Trevor Gill

In less than a week the born-again Panthers have left last year's grand finalists Norwood and Glenelg languishing in their wake.

The showdown against Glenelg never reached any great heights of skill or excitement.

But it was South's first victory at the Bay since 1971 and further fired the side's determination for its biggest challenge yet this season against league leader West at Adelaide Oval next Saturday.

### Blow

The loss was a fateful blow to Glenelg in its bid to avoid being shipwrecked at the wrong end of the premiership table at a time when it is normally steaming headlong towards the major round.

Glenelg had its chances yesterday, but coach Graham Campbell was the first to agree that "inefficiency in finding the goals" was its major problem.

The Tigers had many opportunities to goal, particularly from set shots, but they were wasted and South gladly reaped capital gains from Glenelg's errors.

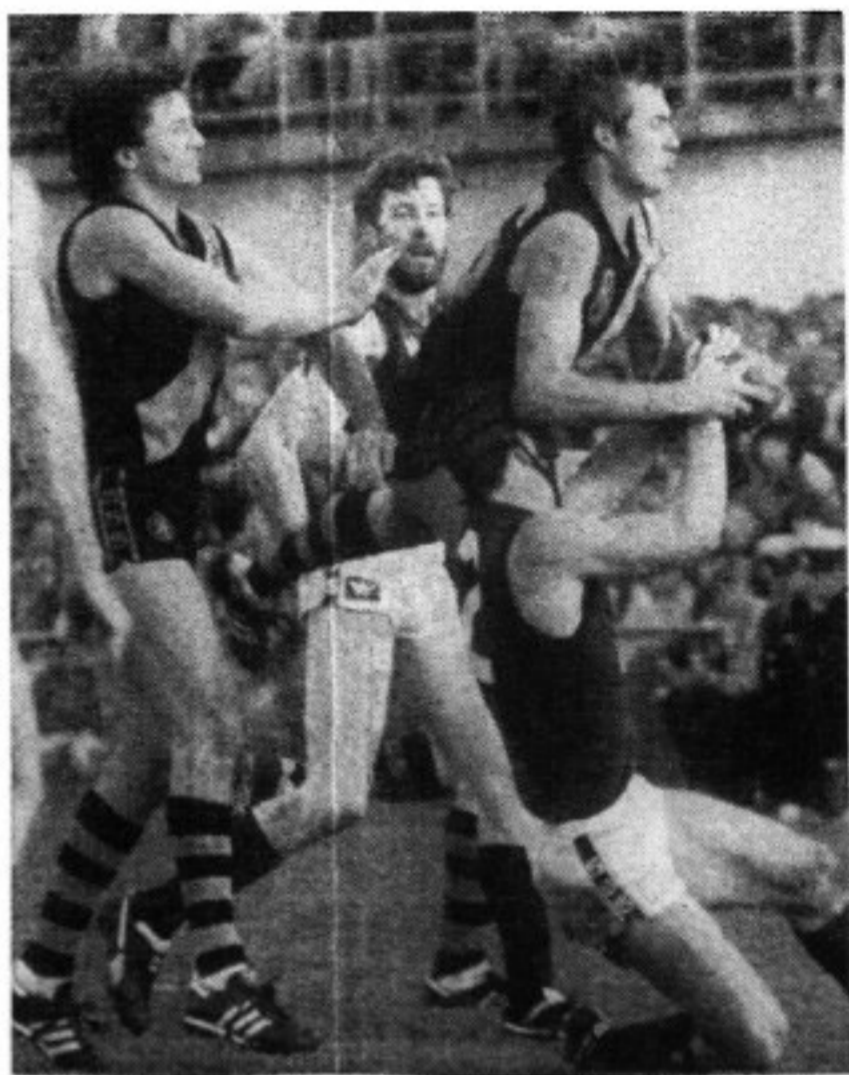
Panther coach Graham Cornes said Glenelg was very competitive at times, but claimed his side's effort was "good all day."

Hamstring injuries to Cornes and Mark Naley took some sweetness out of the victory, but the South medics were hopeful neither was serious.

South was motivated early with three first quarter goals from the ever-roaming Shane Butler and held an 11-point lead at the first change.

The Tiger's went on the offensive early in the second term reclaiming a three point lead at the 10 minute mark, but poor kicking for goal cost them dearly.

Big Robb Hawkins was too mobile for Peter



Glenelg's Chris McDermott and South's Ron Hateley join Chris Duthy and Michael Bennet in a battle for possession

Carey, taking some important marks around the ground and, with players such as Paul Martin and Phil Would exerting their influence, South kicked five goals in the second half of the term to lead by 21 points entering the third quarter.

Young Glenelg centre half-forward Karl Fedke was giving his illustrious opponent Cornes a tough time, but he was perhaps the biggest offender with poor kicking for goal.

This inaccuracy continued in the third term with only two goals from nine scoring shots, and, with elusive forward Rod Miller booting two goals, South again took control.

A freak goal from the forward pocket boundary by Michael Bennett two minutes into the final term sealed Glenelg's fate, and it was just a matter of making sure none of South's good work was undone in the closing stages.

### Reap

Centreman Would made it look easy with a magnificent "droppy" into attack just into time on.

Glenelg had players such as Kernahan, Marshall and Seebohm who worked hard, but they did not have enough help.

For the past fortnight Glenelg has had intensive practice at kicking for goal, but it failed to reap any of its rewards yesterday.

South can be well satisfied with the victory, particularly in the countdown to Wednesday night's Escort Cup grand final.

But the most significant benchmark of its ability will come at Adelaide Oval on Saturday when Cornes meets his mentor Neil Kerley and his plundering bloodhounds.

\*Pictures by Ken Sellick, Kevin Bull and Ray Titus

# BLOODS RACE TO CLOSE 22 YEAR GAP

The pulsating Bloods boosted their supporters' hopes of a premiership for the first time in 22 years with a great win over Sturt before a record crowd at Unley yesterday.

There were 13,693 crammed around the oval—826 more than the previous record crowd the teams attracted at Adelaide Oval in 1957.

They went there to see the match of the season—a showdown between the top two teams separated by only percentage—and they got their value.

And they may have seen the 1983 premier in winning action.

But coach Neil Kerley, captain-coach of that last premiership side, did not talk about premiership or the Bloods' chances come the first day of October.

When the comment was made that people would be rating West as the hot favourite for the flag and how he expected his players to reach, Kerley said: "Who's saying



By Ashley Porter

that? The media doesn't coach football sides.

"I know how hard it is to win a grand final and the players realise what is ahead of them.

"The players have the right mental attitude to take each match as it comes.

"We will live in this glory for beating Sturt for one day and then we will be planning and preparing for our next match."

Kerley was again full of praise for his side, like he has been for most of this season.

"You can only judge a side by results, and if you win games like this one then you have a reasonable side," he said.

"If you are beaten you have not got a side that's good enough."

West is far better than a "reasonable" side, and although I don't coach a

league football side, it deserves to be the hot favourite for the premiership.

### Rare feat

The Bloods this season have beaten Port, Norwood and Sturt on their home grounds, indeed a rare feat by any side.

However, Sturt cannot be discounted as a threat to the flag because had it kicked straight, the margin would have been much less.

Coach John Halbert said yesterday's result did not mean one iota in regard to the coming major round.

"No more than our 74 point win against West earlier this season," he said.

"When we meet again it will be a different game, occasion and players will be in different spots.

"The loss has just made our task of finishing minor round a lot harder, that's all."

Halbert said Sturt wasted chances to build up a big lead in the first term with poor kicking for goal. The Blues kicked 4-7 to 4-4.

# Rick kicks the magical 100 goals

IT was the Rick Davies day at Unley yesterday—he kicked his 100th goal for the season, 500th goal for his career, and played his 300th club game.

But the "Jumbo Prince" said he felt like a pauper after his side went down to West Adelaide by 24 points.

"I wanted to make it a team achievement, but the fact we lost has taken off all the gloss," he said.

"I'm just glad I have got the 100 goals bit out of the way because now I can stop thinking about it and people can stop talking about it.

Davies booted 8-4 yesterday to take his season tally to 101-45 and become only the third Sturt player to kick a ton of goals.

He joins P. T. "Bo" Whelan (101 in 1940) and Ken Whelan (107 in 1973 and 113 in 1974).

Davies admitted he was a "little bit nervous" kicking for goal yesterday because he could not help but keep thinking of breaking the 100 barrier.

In typical Davies fashion, the Sturt captain said his teammates played an enormous role in enabling him to kick so many goals this season."