

Round 12, 1984

League details

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	9-3	9-4	19-6	20-6	126
Sturt	0-0	2-9	5-11	11-17	83

BEST — PORT: Johnston, Leslie, Bradley, Harris, Evans, R. Ebert, Harvey, Knight. **STURT**: Paynter, Smith, Fry, Motley.
SCORERS — PORT: Evans 8.1, R. Ebert 3.0, Knight 2.2, Harvey 2.0, Mahney 2.0, Russell 1.1, Bradley 1.1, C. Ebert 1.0, rushed 0.1. **STURT**: Fry 3.1, Davies 2.3, Fielke 2.3, Zubrinch 1.1, Smith 1.0, Downes 1.0, Leonard 1.0, Motley 0.1, Paynter 0.1, Brown 0.1, Hargreaves 0.1, Reid 0.1, rushed 0.4.
INJURIES — PORT: Johnston (knee), Curtis (ankle), Russell (shoulder), S. Williams (calf). **STURT**: Craig (calf), Whittlesea (bruised back).
REPORT — R. Johnston (Port) for allegedly attempting to strike P. Heinrich (Sturt) with a right forearm, by goal umpire M. Rutter in the third quarter.
UMPIRES — Des Foster, Adrian Forster.

Friday's match

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	2-1	3-2	6-5	8-10	58
South	2-8	4-12	5-16	6-19	55

BEST — WEST: Fielke, McKinnon, Grosser, Bennett, Herbert, Smith, Mickan. **SOUTH**: D. Hewitt, Darren Kappler, Naley, Butler, Schneebichler, David Kappler, Bennett, P. Brooksby.
SCORERS — WEST: Herbert 2.3, Smith 2.1, Luders 1.1, Fielke 1.1, Draher 1.1, McKinnon 1.0, Lamb 0.1, Rennie 0.1, rushed 0.1. **SOUTH**: Harris 3.2, Naley 1.3, Darren Kappler 1.2, Schneebichler 1.0, David Kappler 0.4, Schulz 0.2, Butler 0.1, D. Hewitt 0.1, Hateley 0.1, Dewhurst 0.1, Chapman 0.1, rushed 0.1.
INJURIES — WEST: Borchard (knee). **SOUTH**: Schneebichler (hip).
UMPIRES — Rick Kinnear, David Weston.

ELIZABETH OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Woodville	6-0	12-5	13-7	19-8	122
Central	4-6	10-6	14-12	17-15	117

BEST — WOODVILLE: Parker, Wood, Beecroft, Jolly, Wright, Wilson, Haylock. **CENTRAL**: Krick, Norsworthy, Bubner, Thomas, Wilson, Vivian.
SCORERS — WOODVILLE: Beecroft 7.0, Wood 3.1, Wilson 3.1, Wright 2.2, Harris 1.1, Haylock 1.1, Koop 1.0, Sewer 1.0, Parker 0.2, rushed 0.1. **CENTRAL**: Fraser 6.1, Wilson 2.0, Bubner 3.1, Dearauko 1.1, Connelly 1.1, Bellchambers 1.0, Edwards 1.0, Norsworthy 0.2, Moulds 0.1, Barilla 0.1, Vivian 0.1, rushed 0.4.
INJURIES — CENTRAL: Hannam (bruised ribs).
UMPIRES — Peter Francis, John Hilton.

GLENELG OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	8-8	12-10	21-17	27-19	181
Torrens	3-1	8-5	13-7	17-10	112

BEST — GLENELG: McGuinness, S. Kerrahan, Marshall, Twelftree, Symonds, D. Kernahan. **TORRENS**: Flanagan, Simms, Hank, Pilmore, Collier, Hanna.
SCORERS — GLENELG: Twelftree 6.2, Copping 5.1, McGuinness 4.1, Marshall 3.0, S. Kerrahan 2.1, Carey 2.0, McDermott 1.2, Symonds 1.1, Garton 1.1, Gibbs 1.0, Hall 1.0, Seeborn 0.1, D. Kernahan 0.1, rushed 0.8. **TORRENS**: Flanagan 7.1, Schimmeibusch 2.0, Pilmore 2.3, Hanna 2.2, Simms 1.2, Barratt 1.1, McKay 1.0, Turner 0.1.
UMPIRES — Ric Charlesworth, Mark Mackie.

PROSPECT OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	4-1	8-5	13-8	16-9	105
North	4-3	5-6	6-13	12-15	87

BEST PLAYERS — NORWOOD: Jarvis, Aish, Payne, McIntosh, K. Thomas, Winter, Warhurst, Ross. **NORTH**: Redden, Wildy, Tiller, Riley, Armfield, Robertson, Hart, Arnold.
SCORERS — NORWOOD: Payne 5.1, Aish 3.0, Roberts 2.3, Balme 2.2, G. Thomas 1.0, K. Thomas 1.0, Gallagher 1.0, McIntosh 1.0, Fosdike 0.1, Kelly 0.1, rushed 0.1. **NORTH**: Dietrich 4.5, Arnold 3.2, Phillips 2.1, Hart 1.1, Parsons 1.1, Grenfell 1.1, Campbell 0.2, Robertson 0.1, rushed 0.1.
INJURIES — NORWOOD: Balme (mild concussion), Aish (sore hip). **NORTH**: Hay (bruised back).
UMPIRES — Laurie Argent, Graham Hilton.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	F	A	Pts	%
Port	10	2	1573	1189	20	56.95
Glenelg	9	3	1559	1223	18	56.04
Central	9	3	1379	1175	18	53.99
South	8	4	1425	1082	16	56.84
Sturt	6	6	1442	1437	12	50.09
West	5	7	1216	1319	10	47.10
Norwood	5	7	1324	1476	10	47.29
Woodville	3	9	1398	1774	6	44.07
Torrens	3	9	1193	1684	6	41.47
North	2	10	1324	1444	4	47.83

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	GAMES	YEST	TOTAL
T. Evans (Port)	12	8.1	72.22
G. Dietrich (North)	12	4.5	61.26
R. Davies (Sturt)	12	2.3	56.29
N. Roberts (Norwood)	12	2.3	50.23
B. Beecroft (Woodville)	9	7.0	50.17
G. Nicholls (Glenelg)	11	—	47.31

CROWDS

Football Park (Friday Night)	3630
Football Park (Saturday)	13,581
Elizabeth	4750
Glenelg	5493
Prospect	5801

NEXT WEEK

Round 13: Saturday—
 Port v Torrens (Football Park), Glenelg v Woodville (Glenelg),
 Norwood v South (Norwood), North v Central (Prospect).
 Sunday: Sturt v West

UPHILL FIGHT FOR BLUES

By Ashley Porter, Gordon Campbell and Peter Cornwall

Sturt's fifth position on the premier-ship ladder is under seige following its dismal performance against Port Adelaide yesterday, and victories by West Adelaide and Norwood.

The Blues are badly out of form, and with the Bloods and Redlegs only two premier-ship points away, face a tough road to the major round.

Sturt must play every other side again, and then West again at Richmond in the last minor round which could decide which team plays in the finals.

The Magpies have become firmer favorites for the flag with a brilliant performance against Sturt, and shock losses by Central District and South Adelaide in the thirteenth round.

Bulldog coach Kevin Neale, and North Adelaide coach Mike Nunan, lashed out against their players after losing to Woodville and Norwood respectively.

Nunan was highly critical, declaring: "We're easily the worst team in the competition."

"We're bad, very bad," "It's time we recognised just how bad we really are."

"The media has been far too generous in the attention it gives us."

North was the glamor side in the second half of last season and finished fourth as a stern warning to its finals potential in 1984.

Failure

But the club is bottom with only two wins after 12 games.

And Nunan was irate after North failed to convert goals and beat Norwood at Prospect.

"I fully accept the responsibility for our position," he said.

"There's a confidence problem... our players lack maturity."

"Everyone knows we have plenty of potential but it's not winning us games."

"We ran into about 10 goals yesterday and missed them."

"And we've lost all but one game by less than five goals."

"We're rock bottom, and our confidence can't get any lower."

"The style of game and commitment are there."

Nunan said there were no more excuses for the club's situation.

Injuries were not a key reason for failure but he did admit the loss of Magarey Medallist Tony Antrobus did hurt the side significantly.

Central coach Kevin Neale was shattered by his team's five point loss to the previously bottom side Woodville at Elizabeth.

"I have been told by people around the club that this team can break

Nunan lashes players



Mike Nunan

your heart at times and I didn't believe it — until now," Neale said.

"What I am really worried about is that some of our blokes will get up tomorrow morning and not worry about the way they played — performance like that should stick in the gut for a week."

"It will now be a real test to see if we can get back to where we were."

But Neale did not want to take anything away from the Woodville performance — and neither should he have.

The Warriors, led superbly by ruckman Max Parker who celebrated his 200th league appearance with a best-on-ground performance were by far the better side.

Neale said his side would have to be prepared to work hard again if it is to make anything of a season that has promised so much at times.

'Recruit's' boot is magic!

By Tom Menzies

Glenelg 27-19 (181), Torrens 17-10 (112)

A magical 15-minute first quarter burst by Tiger "recruit" Stephen Copping put Glenelg on the path to a comfortable win over a relentless young Torrens at the Glenelg Oval yesterday.

Copping, in only his second match with the Tigers since returning from Essendon, booted an amazing five goals in the first 15 minutes of the game. If he had been more accurate it would have been six.

He devastated the Eagles' backlines with his high marking and lightning fast leads, fully seizing his opportunity at full forward created by the withdrawal of Greg Nichols with flu.

Flawless

But that was where it ended for Copping who could only muster one more kick for the game and left the ground halfway through the last quarter with a slight groin strain.

His downfall was a master move by Torrens' coach Glenn Elliott who shifted full back Peter McIndoe away and replaced him with backman Tom Hank, who played a flawless game from that point.

But that was not enough to stop the tireless Tigers who quickly found another road to goals, Leon Twelftree. He

ended with 6-2, and dynamic rover Tony McGuinness chipped in with a further 4-1.

After the game, Glenelg coach Graham Campbell said he had plans for a merry-go-round series of moves in his forward line which he later decided against.

"When Copping opened the way he did I decided to leave him there," he said.

"I am very pleased any time we win. Every game has got to be played and won."

"Today's win takes us to second spot now and we are looking to some pretty good things at the end of the season."

"It is more than halfway through the season and to be in second spot says something for us."

Glenn Elliott was quietly pleased with his side's effort.

"I am pleased. They never at any stage hung their heads. They fought the game right out to the bitter end," he said.

Immediately after the game Elliott locked his players in the change-rooms for a 10-minute team meeting.

"We talked quietly and

simply about the errors that were made and how we can improve," he said.

Both teams made changes to their original line-up before the game. Glenelg was without Nichols and Alan Stringer. Stringer jarred a knee at Thursday night's training.

Torrens took the field without follower Kym Dillon. He has played only two games since returning for the first time this year from a serious groin injury. The injury has flared again.

The Tigers began with the use of the strong wind and through Copping could not have started better.

Strong

But Torrens recovered from the initial onslaught to match the Tigers goal-for-goal for the rest of the first quarter.

Torrens made good use of the wind in the second and outscored Glenelg, but were still five goals down at halftime.

Glenelg appeared to be cruising to a comfortable uninspiring win as the second half began, but the bitter clashes between Torrens' rugged ruckman Jeff Sarau and Tigers' Peter Carey and Stephen Kernahan, lifted the game's tempo.

Glenelg is looking with reasonable and justifiable confidence to the finals.