

TIGHT-LIPPED KERLS

You should have interviewed me before...

Reigning premier West Adelaide has lost its past three games and is in danger of missing the final five.

The Bloods were convincingly beaten by a highly efficient Glenelg at the Bay yesterday and afterwards an annoyed West coach Neil Kerley refused to discuss the game.

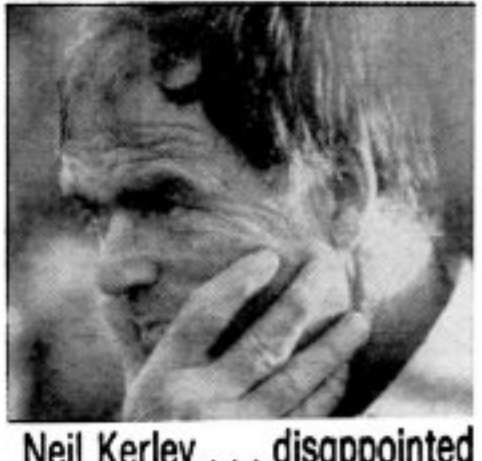
Kerley said he would not talk about the game or West's future because the Sunday Mail was too late talking to him.

I spoke briefly to the State coach soon after he arrived at West's club-rooms after the game.

"I'm relaxing now and I won't talk about the game," Kerley said.

"... you should have spoken to me first and not Graham Campbell (Glenelg's coach)."

Kerley was obviously disappointed with West's meek showing in the second half and he left unanswered important questions about the Bloods' serious problems and chances of making the five.



Neil Kerley... disappointed

Bloods mauled by Tigers

By Gordon Campbell

Glenelg 17-10 (112) d West 11-13 (79)

Glenelg didn't need a U.S. motivation film before the West Adelaide game at the Bay yesterday.

It would have beaten the Bloods without the 23 minutes of sports psychology ordered by coach Graham Campbell for tough games.

Such was the confidence and commitment of the Tigers — especially in the second half — that each player was clearly aware of what roles heart and pride play in sporting achievements.

Finals fever may be simmering at Brighton Road with Glenelg's third successive win.

No-one is forecasting a finals berth for the Bays but there is a strong feeling of confidence and optimism in the Glenelg camp.

"I'm very excited about our chances this year," Campbell said.

"Our chances of making the five look good."

Glenelg grabbed third on the premiership table with

its convincing win over West and Campbell is aiming for his charges to retain a top three berth.

The Bays had no passengers yesterday and were a highly efficient outfit with each player contributing.

A significant and promising sign was their victory was achieved without State forward Stephen Kernahan playing a dominant role.

He was effective — mainly in the first term — and was part of a well-oiled machine which achieved its winning goal in a disciplined second half.

"No game is beyond our reach," Campbell said.

"The agony of early last season is still there... we've matured because of the losses."

"Our commitment is at an all-time high and our defence is as good as any in the competition."

West struggled badly across half-forward and full forward with Mike Smith having a nightmare game early and Roger Luders being held goalless by the effective Mike Farquhar.

By Gordon Campbell

West is now two games and a huge percentage behind fifth placed Sturt and looks incapable of beating those teams above it.

It will play unbeaten Central District at Richmond next Saturday and is likely to finish the first third of the minor round season with a struggling 2-5 win-loss record.

Central continued its unbeaten run under new coach Kevin Neale with a courageous comeback to down the Panthers by one point at Elizabeth.

The win was the Bulldogs most important for the season and boosts their strong chances of contesting a finals series for the first time in five years.

North Adelaide recorded its first win for the season with a powerful 103-point win over Woodville at Prospect.

And the Roosters have jumped from bottom to seventh with the victory and are only one game behind West which is sixth.

Sturt annihilated West Torrens in a one-sided game and has what amounts to a three-game break over the Bloods.

Port Adelaide retained its unbeaten record with a convincing win over Norwood on Friday night and further sapped the confidence and pride of the battling Redlegs which are eighth and unlikely to contest the finals.



Graham Campbell

Farquhar, with defender John Seebohm, punched the ball repeatedly away from packs and a booming left foot punt from Farquhar in the third term set up a Peter Carey goal which gave Glenelg control of the game.

The Bays had a match winning lead half-way through the second quarter after an inspirational goal from rover Tony McGuinness.

The speedster won the ball across Glenelg's half-back line and kicked a superb running goal after a series of short passes and handballs.

But the Bloods regained the control just before half time, mainly through their best players Des Herbert, Leon Grosser, Grant Fielke and Mark Dreher who tightened on Kernahan.

But that impetus was lost after the break with Bay centreman David Marshall winning many possessions



Grenville Dietrich

Gren kicks 12 straight

North Adelaide full forward Grenville Dietrich booted 12 straight goals against Woodville at Prospect yesterday.

The superb effort took his tally after six rounds to 35, only two behind Port Adelaide's Tim Evans.

But neither of the specialist forwards are likely to be added to the State squad when the selectors meet on Monday.

They are likely to choose someone for the interstate clash with Victoria on Tuesday week who can play in other positions than full forward.

However, Evans and Dietrich have had outstanding starts to the season and once again are heading towards breaking the century barrier.

—ASHLEY PORTER

Round 6, 1984 League details

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-4	10-7	15-13	20-14	134
Norwood	5-2	7-3	10-5	14-7	91

BEST PLAYERS.—PORT: Anderson, Knight, Bradley, Russell, Kinnear, R. Ebert. NORWOOD: McIntosh, Aish, Warnurst, Maynard, Thomas.

SCORERS.—PORT: Knight 6.0, T. Evans 5.2, Mahney 2.1, R. Ebert 2.0, Russell 2.0, Bradley 1.2, S. Williams 1.1, Leslie 1.0, Giles 0.1, Clifford 0.1, Belton 0.1, Harvey 0.1, C. Ebert 0.1, rushed 0.3. NORWOOD: Maynard 6.1, Roberts 4.0, McCarthy 2.1, Fantasia 1.0, Kelly 1.0, McIntosh 0.1, Dickinson 0.1, Gallagher 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPORTED.—Dwayne Russell (Port) by field umpire Neville Thorp for allegedly striking Tom Warhurst (Norwood) in the second term.

UMPIRES.—Neville Thorp, Bob Scholefield.

FRIDAY NIGHT

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	8-5	12-5	19-9	26-10	166
Torrens	5-0	8-8	10-9	13-18	96

BEST PLAYERS.—STURT: Heinrich, Radbone, Hargreaves, Craig, Barbary, Derrington, Paech, Frost, Hollis, Robson, Pisani, Lindsay.

SCORERS.—STURT: Davies 5.0, Derrington 4.0, Fielke 3.2, Hollis 2.1, Radbone 2.1, Motley 2.0, Smith 1.2, Whittlesea 1.1, Barbary 1.1, Brown 1.1, Craig 1.0, Hargreaves 1.0, Ey 1.0, Downes 1.0, rushed 0.1. TORRENS: Lindsay 4.4, Pavlich 3.1, Flanagan 3.0, Amos 2.1, Collier 1.2, Stretch 0.2, Schimmelbusch 0.2, Geyer 0.1, Sarau 0.1, Primore 0.1, rushed 0.3.

INJURIES.—TORRENS: Querzoff (concussion).

UMPIRES.—Jim Field, David Weston.

PROSPECT OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	6-5	11-7	22-10	27-12	174
Woodville	4-2	7-4	8-6	10-11	71

BEST PLAYERS.—NORTH: Tiller, Dietrich, Phillips, Hill, Redden. WOODVILLE: Haylock, Beecroft, Reardon, Harris, Dettman.

SCORERS.—NORTH: Dietrich 12, Gehling 3.3, Tiller 3.1, J. Riley 2.2, Eaves 2.1, Hill 2.1, Hart, Hay, Phillips 1.1, Robertson 0.4, rushed 0.1. WOODVILLE: Beecroft 5.3, Harris 2.1, Hearne 1.3, Scheer, Fuller 1.1, Tschirpigg 0.1, rushed 0.3.

INJURIES.—NORTH: S. Riley (broken leg). WOODVILLE: Tschirpigg (strained knee), Parker (bruised hip).

UMPIRES.—Geoff Bowles and Adrian Forster.

ELIZABETH OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Central	2-0	7-4	10-7	14-12	96
South	4-7	9-10	12-15	13-17	95

BEST PLAYERS.—CENTRAL: Wilson, Wright, Krieg, Cousins, Beythien, Connolly. SOUTH: Martin, Dewhurst, White, WOULD, Bennett, Hateley, Christie.

SCORERS.—CENTRAL: Wilson 5.2, Fraser 4.1, Connolly 3.1, Platten 1.2, Cousins 1.0, Krieg 0.1, rushed 0.5. SOUTH: Cornes 3.1, Hateley 2.1, Slattery 2.0, Schneebichler 1.6, Would 1.2, Butler 1.1, Kappler 1.1, Harradine 1.0, Dewhurst 1.0, Naley 0.3, Hewitt 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES.—SOUTH: G. Brooksby (corked thigh); G. Christie (corked thigh).

UMPIRES.—D. Foster, J. Hylton.

GLENELG OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	2-3	7-6	12-8	17-10	112
West	0-1	4-8	7-11	11-13	79

BEST PLAYERS.—GLENELG: Marshall, Farquhar, McSeebohm. WEST: Grosser, McKinnon, Herbert, Bennett, McGuinness, R. Stringer, Holst, W. Stringer, Nichols, Dreher.

SCORERS.—GLENELG: Nichols 6.2, McGuinness 3.0, Carey 2.0, Twelftree 1.3, A. Stringer 1.1, Hill 1.1, Marshall 1.1, Toy 1.1, Symonds 1.0, rushed 0.1. WEST: Herbert 3.0, Rechner 2.0, R. Winter 2.0, Smith 1.2, Williams 1.1, Davoren 1.1, Mickan 1.0, Grosser 0.4, Conlen 0.1, Fielke 0.1, rushed 0.3.

INJURIES.—WEST: R. Winter (suspected cruciate knee damage), Conlen (concussion).

UMPIRES.—D. Foster, J. Hylton.

CROWDS

Football Park, Friday night	19,612
Football Park, Saturday	5693
Elizabeth Saturday	7102
Glenelg Saturday	7759
Prospect, Saturday	2967

NEXT WEEK

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

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Round	Total
T. Evans (Port)	6	5.2	37.12
G. Dietrich (North)	6	12.0	35.10
R. Nichols (Glenelg)	6	5.0	28.18
G. Davies (Sturt)	6	5.0	27.11
N. Roberts (Norwood)	6	4.0	22.11
B. Beecroft (Woodville)	4	5.3	21.10
S. Knight (Port)	6	6.0	19.11
W. Wilson (Central)	6	5.2	18.07
W. Slattery (South)	6	2.0	17.10
G. Cornes (South)	6	3.1	16.08

Premiership table

	W	L	F	A	Pts	%
Port	6	—	798	537	12	59.78
Central	6	—	720	550	12	56.69
Glenelg	4	—	749	511	8	59.44
South	4	2	701	528	8	57.04
Sturt	4	2	766	673	8	53.23
West	2	4	607	704	4	46.30
North	1	5	641	670	2	48.89
Norwood	1	5	590	819	2	41.87
Woodville	1	5	635	887	2	41.72
Torrens	1	5	547	875	2	38.47