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Round One a knockout

West Torrens' shock win... another report... Glenelg's stunning 88-point victory.



By Gordon Campbell

These highlights from yesterday's two games completed an absorbing first round which appears to herald another unpredictable and fiery season of football.

The Eagles' match-winning third quarter at Football Park against West Adelaide—widely tipped as the league's big improver—set up a giant-killing 52 point victory.

The win was marked by the return to league football of star forward Peter Johnston who booted six goals for Glenn Elliott's new-look Torrens attack.

The stunning victory

was the second upset of the opening round—Woodville beat last year's finalist South Adelaide by 14 points in the first upset of the season.

Star Glenelg recruit Wayne Henwood was reported by field umpire Laurie Argent for allegedly striking Port Adelaide's Craig Bradley with a clenched fist in the first few minutes of the clash at the Bay.

Henwood reacted strongly to the report with a powerful, aggressive and skilful

Upsets and fiery clashes

game, especially in the second half, in either ruck or at centre half-forward.

He was a major contributor to Glenelg's match-winning third term when it outscored the Magpies by eight goals.

Henwood's report is the second from the opening series—Woodville's Bob Beecroft was reported by field umpire Mark Mackie for allegedly attempting to strike an unnamed South player in the first quarter at Woodville on Saturday.

The Tigers' brilliant victory over a highly

disappointing Port laid the foundation for a battle royale against reigning premier Norwood at the Parade on Saturday.

The Redlegs destroyed a woeful Sturt at Football Park last Saturday and the match-of-the-round clash with Glenelg will identify which club will be the early trendsetter towards premiership glory.

Port's surrendering of the white flag in the second half underlined a lack of depth and traditional fighting spirit at Alberton.

The Magpies were outscored by an alarming 17 goals in their second half fade-out.

Port captain-coach Russell Ebert is sure to remember the game—not for his Australian record 433rd game but for the Magpies' disgraceful losing margin



Glenn Elliott

SANFL

NORWOOD	6.4	10.7	18.13	22.18	(150)
STURT	1.4	4.9	9.9	12.15	(87)

GOALS — Norwood: M. Aish, Button, Vardanega, Jarvis 3, Roberts, K. Thomas, Michalanney, G. Thomas 2, Taylor, McIntosh. Sturt: C. Graham, Davies 3, Paech 2, Martin, Gumley, Benson, Wark.

BEST — Norwood: M. Aish, K. Thomas, Vardanega, Gallagher, McIntosh, Menzel, Taylor, Michalanney. Sturt: Derrington, Motley, Paech, Martin, Gumley.

UMPIRES: J. Field, D. Trembath — Football Park.

WOODVILLE	10.2	15.6	17.8	18.8	(116)
SOUTH	1.1	5.4	10.7	15.12	(102)

GOALS — Woodville: Blight 6, Fuller, Beecroft 4, Haylock 2, Schwarz, M. Fuller. South: Holt 4, Schneebichler 3, Fairclough 2, Darren Kappler, Dewhirst, Harris, Ryan, Cole, D. Hewitt.

BEST — Woodville: Blight, Heaven, Blacksell, R. Fuller, Sewer, Rogers. South: Bennett, Holt, Emery, McIntyre, David Kappler, D. Hewitt.

UMPIRES: M. Mackie, N. Thorp — Woodville Oval.

NORTH	10.3	15.5	18.12	24.18	(162)
CENTRAL	0.4	7.8	10.10	14.12	(96)

GOALS — North: Dietrich 7, Poynton 5, Klomp, Antrobus, Redden, Jarman 2, Hill, Bennett, Tiller, Molloy. Central: Robertson 4, Trigg, Platten 3, Fraser, Hull, Pitman, Thomas.

BEST — North: Jarman, Hill, Bennett, Redden, Antrobus, Phillips, Poynton. Central: Platten, Trigg, Krieg, Roe, Robertson.

UMPIRES: R. Kinnear, D. Schramm — Prospect Oval.

TORRENS	5.1	9.5	18.11	25.13	(163)
WEST	4.6	9.11	10.14	15.21	(111)

GOALS — Torrens: Johnston 6, Taylor 5, Roberts 4, Cunningham 2, Pilmore, Schimmelbusch, Payze, Hanna, Turner, Colsey, Sarau. West: Woodhall 4, D. Herbert 3, Smith 2, Bennett, Luders, Shaw, McKinnon, Grosser, Meuret.

BEST — Torrens: Sarau, Schimmelbusch, Lindsay, Stretch, Taylor, Eichner, Johnston, Roberts. West: Grosser, Bennett, D. Herbert, Andrews.

UMPIRES: M. Cuzzocrea, G. Bowles — Football Park.

GLENELG	4.6	9.12	20.17	31.18	(204)
PORT	7.5	11.11	14.14	16.20	(116)

GOALS — Glenelg: McGuinness 6, Copping 5, S. Kernahan, D. Kernahan 4, Marshall 3, A. Stringer, Symonds 2, Henwood, Walsh, Kidney, W. Stringer, Hewitt. Port: S. Williams 5, Ginever 3, Harrison, R. Ebert 2, Bradley, Growden, Russell, Johnston.

BEST — Glenelg: Symonds, McGuinness, D. Kernahan, A. Stringer, Copping, Walsh, W. Stringer, Marshall, Gibbs, McDermott, Hall. Port: Ginever, Bradley, S. Williams.

UMPIRES: L. Argent, R. Scholefield — Glenelg Oval.

Ladder

	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	%
GLENELG	1	—	—	204	116	2	63.75
NORWOOD	1	—	—	150	87	2	63.29
NORTH	1	—	—	162	96	2	62.79
TORRENS	1	—	—	163	111	2	59.49
WOODVILLE	1	—	—	116	102	2	53.21
SOUTH	—	1	—	102	116	—	46.79
WEST	—	1	—	111	163	—	40.12
CENTRAL	—	1	—	96	162	—	37.21
STURT	—	1	—	87	150	—	36.71
PORT	—	1	—	116	204	—	36.25

Leading Scorers

DIETRICH (North)	7
BLIGHT (Woodville)	6
JOHNSON (Torrens)	6
MCGUINNESS (Glenelg)	6
COPPING (Glenelg)	5
POYNTON (North)	5
TAYLOR (Torrens)	5
S. WILLIAMS (Port)	5

TIGER CUBS TEAR INTO PORT

By Gordon Campbell

Potential Glenelg champions David Kernahan and Gavan Walsh inspired a brilliant, match-winning third quarter against highly disappointing Port Adelaide at the Bay yesterday.

Kernahan booted three of his four goals in the term and was largely responsible for the Tigers taking control of the game by the last change.

The superb, running goals were testimony to his fine skills under pressure and he seems destined to establish himself as a league regular and rising star in 1985.

He was so damaging on his wing that Port was forced to move State wingman Greg Anderson on him.

At only 19, Kernahan has time to further develop his skills. He showed great maturity yesterday in only his twelfth league game.

Responded

Walsh, who had played a useful first half, exploded after half-time with telling touches and an aggression which stunned Port and inspired team-mates.

He ruffled some Magpie feathers with his direct approach to goal and is shaping as a key player in the club's premiership bid this year.

Walsh has been frustrated by injury and unsettled by being played in a variety of positions but responded courageously when needed yesterday.

He played across half-forward and as a utility in his 34th league game against Port.

But, of course, Kernahan and Walsh, were not the only major reasons for the Tigers demoralising, powerhouse football in the second half.

Rover Tony McGuinness booted three vital goals in the third quarter and with Henwood and follower Chris McDermott, destroyed the Magpies.

Port was outscored by 17 goals in the second half in an uncharacteristically weak role.



Port's Russell Johnston takes a strong mark over two Glenelg players as the Tigers' Chris Duthy runs in.

The traditional fighting spirit was gone despite the fact several key players, including Martin Leslie, Tim Evans, and Stephen Clifford, were missing.

The Magpies hoisted the white flag at three-quarter time when they had a slender chance of stealing the game.

Centreman Craig Bradley had an amazing 15 possessions in the first term—11 kicks, four handballs—in a valiant bid to force an early Magpie authority.

But his lion-hearted effort told in the second term when he had only one kick and was more closely watched by Glenelg.

Former Woodville and Carlton utility Jon Simpson showed good form at centre half-back and was an adequate replacement for Leslie.

Stephen Williams was

very damaging around goal and finished with five after being unlucky not to snare at least eight.

Test

But a depth problem reared its head in the Magpie camp which, for the second successive game was blasted from the ground in overwhelming quarters by Glenelg.

The huge loss will be a sad reminder of captain-coach Russell Ebert's record 433rd game.

The Tigers had a host of effective players—David Marshall, Rob Kidney, Tony Symonds to name a few—but the real test of Glenelg's progress will come against Norwood at the Parade on Saturday.

New coach Graham Cornes was naturally delighted with yesterday's victory but he is also acutely aware of the highs and lows waiting in the next 21 minor round games.