

Panthers fizzle in Bay drizzle

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Woodville	6-5	10-7	17-10	25-16	166
Torrens	2-2	5-7	5-10	6-13	49

BEST — WOODVILLE: Harris, Grant, Dettmann, Toome, Lunn, Jackson, Schwarz, Libois, Jacquier, Rechner. **TORRENS:** Meehan, Pilmore, McIndoe, Kellett.
SCORERS — WOODVILLE: Becroft 4.1, Rechner 4.1, Blight 3.4, Toome 3.0, Schwarz 2.1, Harris 2.1, Dettmann 2.0, Sewer 2.0, Jackson 1.1, Lynch 1.0, R. Fuller 1.0. **TORRENS:** Roberts 2.0, Meehan 1.2, Stretch 1.1, Payze 1.0, Collier 1.0, Johnston 0.3, Pilmore 0.2, Dillon 0.1, Sims 0.1, Elchner 0.1. Smith 0.1, rushed 0.1.
UMPIRES — Laurie Argent, Mark Mackie.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Central	2-2	4-8	9-10	10-11	71
Norwood	3-4	4-6	6-7	9-10	64

BEST PLAYERS — CENTRAL: Platten, McGrath, Thomas, Shields, Connelly, Krieg. **NORWOOD:** McIntosh, Ross, Taylor, K. Thomas, M. Aish, Winter.
SCORERS — CENTRAL: Platten 3.1, Fraser 2.2, Krieg 1.2, P. Bubner 1.2, Beythlen 1.0, Connelly 1.0, Hurn 1.0, P. Graham 0.1, Shields 0.1, rushed 0.2. **NORWOOD:** Payne 3.2, M. Aish 2.0, McIntosh 1.2, Button 1.1, K. Thomas 1.1, Ross 1.0, Menzel 0.1, Gallagher 0.1, Jenkins 0.1, rushed 0.1.
REPORTED — NORWOOD: N. Button by field umpire Graham Hilton for allegedly kicking P. Beythlen during the third term.
UMPIRES — Graham Hilton, Bob Scholefield.

GLENELG OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	3-4	6-9	10-16	12-20	92
South	3-3	4-4	6-7	8-9	57

BEST — GLENELG: McDermott, Carey, Gibbs, S. Kernahan, D. Kernahan, Symonds, McGuinness, Woodlands, W. Stringer, Maynard. **SOUTH:** Bennett, Darren Kappler, Davies, Naley.
SCORERS — GLENELG: McGuinness 3.1, Woodlands 2.4, S. Kernahan 2.2, Thomson 2.1, McDermott 1.2, Maynard 1.1, D. Kernahan 1.0, Salsbury 0.2, Carey 0.1, Symonds 0.1, Copping 0.1, rushed 0.4. **SOUTH:** Davies 4.1, Campbell 2.1, Fairclough 1.0, David Kappler 1.0, Bennett 0.2, Harris 0.2, Naley 0.1, Lockman 0.1, Darren Kappler 0.1.
INJURY — SOUTH: Christie (knee).
UMPIRES — Jim Field, Darryl Schramm.

PROSPECT OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	2-2	9-5	10-10	15-14	104
North	1-3	4-5	9-7	11-8	74

BEST — STURT: Motley, Smith, Spiel, Paynter, Klomp, Viney, Derrington. **NORTH:** Tiller, Hart, Sanders, Jarman, Boles, Campbell, Wildy.
SCORERS — STURT: Willmott 5.1, Paynter 2.1, Fielke 1.3, Klomp 1.2, Wark 1.2, Derrington 1.1, Viney 1.1, Smith 1.0, Spiel 1.0, Frost 1.0, rushed 0.3. **NORTH:** Dietrich 4.0, Boles 3.2, Hart 1.1, Parsons 1.0, Tiller 1.0, Bennett 1.0, Jarman 0.3, Hill 0.1, rushed 0.1.
INJURIES — STURT: Keane (concussion), Willmott (ankle).
UMPIRES — Steve Ardill, John Hyton.

ALBERTON OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	8-1	14-7	17-11	24-12	156
Port	3-1	4-4	8-6	12-9	81

BEST PLAYERS — WEST: D. Herbert, Winter, C. Herbert, Fielke, Grosser, Rennie, Luders. **PORT:** Ginever, Clifford, Bradley, Owens, Leslie, Smith, Evans.
SCORERS — WEST: Luders 5.2, Burton 4.2, Fielke 4.1, D. Herbert 4.1, Miller 3.0, Grosser 2.0, Rennie 1.0, Lamb 1.0, Meuret 0.1, Bennett 0.1, McKinnon 0.1, rushed 0.3. **PORT:** Evans 4.2, Boyd 2.0, Clifford 2.0, Ginever 2.0, Gotch 1.2, Curtis 1.1, Johnston 0.1, Anderson 0.1, rushed 0.2.
UMPIRES — Rick Kinnear, Neville Thorp.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	D	L	For	Agst	Pts	%
North	13	—	2	1992	1498	26	57.08
Norwood	9	1	5	1677	1504	19	52.72
Sturt	8	1	6	1821	1696	17	51.78
Glenelg	8	—	7	1855	1965	16	53.97
Central	8	—	7	1786	1761	16	50.35
West	7	—	8	1801	1828	14	49.63
Torrens	7	—	8	1750	1859	14	48.49
Woodville	5	—	10	1849	2135	10	46.41
South	5	—	10	1549	1791	10	46.38
Port	4	—	11	1600	2019	8	44.21

NEXT WEEK

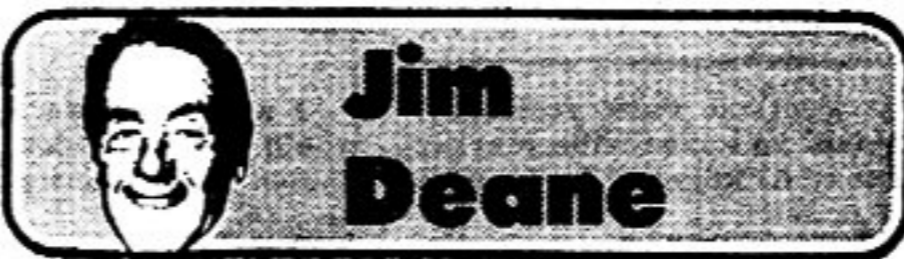
West v Norwood (Football Park), South v North (Adelaide), Central v Glenelg (Elizabeth), Sturt v Torrens (Unley), Woodville v Port (Woodville).

CROWDS

Football Park 9844
 Glenelg 4598
 Alberton 4305
 Prospect 6403

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Yesterday	Total
BLIGHT (Woodville)	14	3.4	83.58
WILLMOTT (Sturt)	14	5.1	78.32
ROBERTS (Torrens)	15	2.0	65.28
DAVIES (South)	13	4.1	56.28
BECROFT (Woodville)	15	4.1	52.15
DIETRICH (North)	11	4.0	50.21
COPPING (Glenelg)	15	0.1	46.15
PLATTEN (Central)	16	3.1	47.30



Jim Deane

*As told to Peter Cornwall

The rain came down and a bubble burst at the Bay Oval yesterday as South Adelaide went down convincingly to Glenelg by 35 points.

South's recent success, which had seen it win its past three games in succession, had revolved around the high marking and goalkicking of Rick Davies, Darren Harris and John Schneebichler.

But with the advent of the heavy rain before the game, which made conditions slippery and difficult, it was obvious the Panthers would be hard-pressed to repeat that outstanding form.

Apart from the early stages of the first quarter, Glenelg adapted to the wet conditions better, simply by getting their bodies behind the ball, keeping low to the ground and taking risks to gain possession.

Shadow

South, without its big guns firing in the forward

lines, and without the ball coming in to them with the same precision of recent weeks, looked only a shadow of the side that was threatening to make the final five.

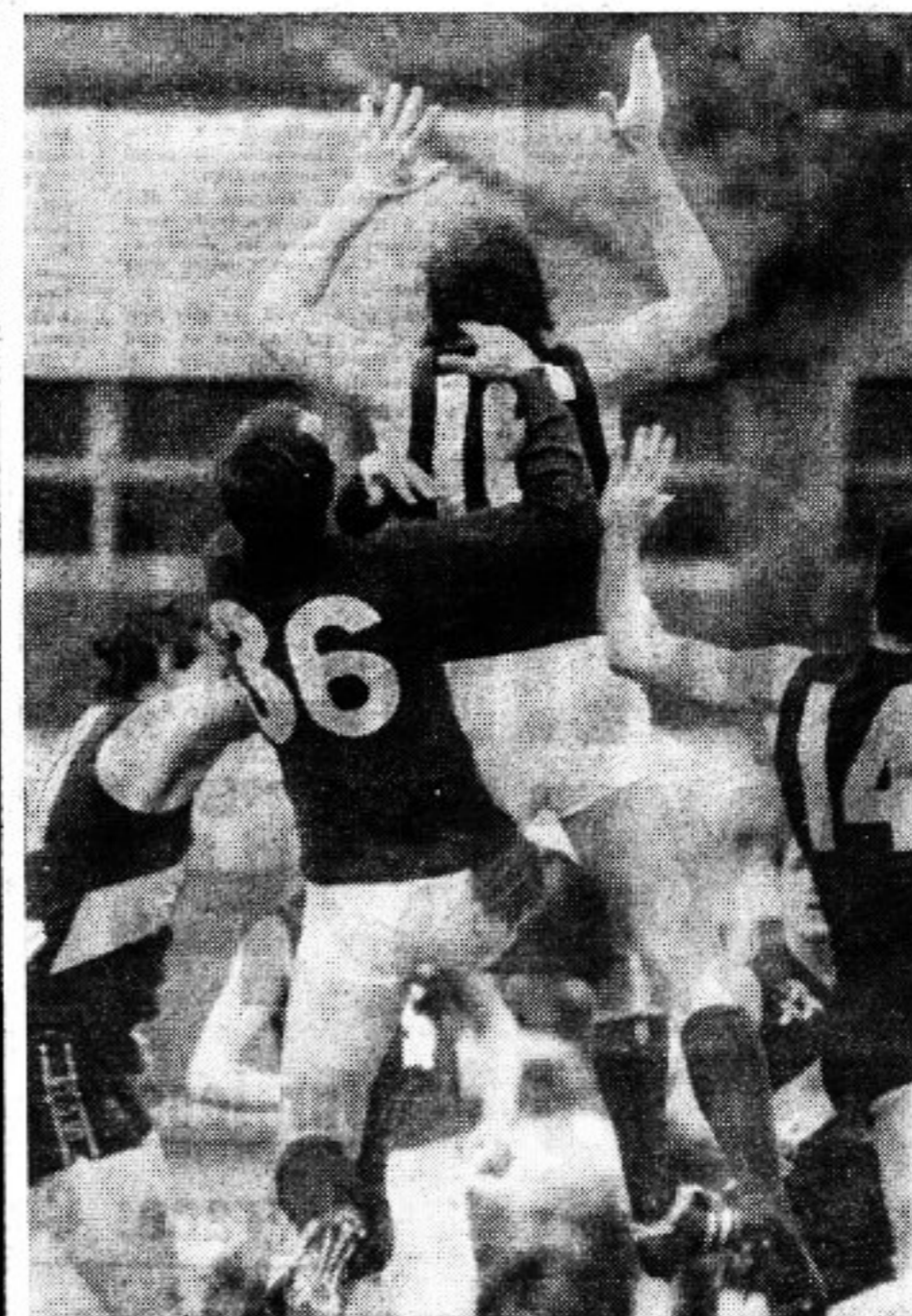
The only time the Panthers looked like winning the game was when they led by 11 points late in the first quarter.

But Glenelg then kicked two goals in time-on, snared a one point lead at quarter time, and from that point never looked like being beaten.

After that torrid first quarter, as so often happens for Glenelg when the game is tight, centre half-forward Stephen Kernahan and follower Chris McDermott set the Tigers alight.

Their influence on the game enabled the Bays to lead by 17 points at half-time.

Any last hopes of a South victory were dented by two freak goals



South stars Darren Harris and John Schneebichler oppose each other in this leap at Glenelg Oval yesterday



South's David Fairclough appears lost in a sea of arms, legs and rain at Glenelg Oval yesterday

Tigers adapt far better

from rover Tony McGuinness in the third quarter, coupled with the fact the isolated attacks the Panthers made were repelled by another brilliant performance from Ross Gibbs in the last line of defence.

From then on there was no question of Glenelg's superiority.

And there was no doubt coach Graham Cornes deserved a fair share of the credit for the important 35-point win.

It was obvious he had sent his side out with a preconceived idea of how to stop the South forward stars, with John Seeborn on Harris, Michael Murphy on Schneebichler and Chris Duthy on Davies.

Seeborn completely shut out Harris until he had to take over the ruck duties because of the unfortunate knee injury to Panther ruckman Gary Christie.

Murphy enhanced his fast-growing reputation as a defender by beating a possible matchwinner in Schneebichler.

Duthy on Davies was the one move that did not come off. Davies kicked South's only four goals in the first half, as Duthy had no answer to his clever body work.

But Cornes was quick to realise that Davies' influence on the game could cause serious problems and he did not hesitate to move the stronger-bodied Adam Garton on to him.

The move was a bold one by Cornes, and it proved to be an inspired one as Garton shut Davies out.

That move was among a number made by Cornes which showed he is fast-becoming a power as a coach in SA football. A feature of his coaching is his intelligent use of interchange players, which he uses as well as any other coach.

Bay follower Chris McDermott has certainly established himself among the top players in the State this season.

His undoubted courageous ball-getting talents have turned games around for Glenelg and he has an uncanny ability to lift himself when the going is tough.

But there was no doubt the big bonus to come out of yesterday's win for Glenelg was the return to form of their favorite son, Peter Carey.

The ruckman, who has been struggling with injury and lack of form, was at his tireless best in the difficult conditions.

He had more than double the hit-outs of the entire South side, with 27, and not only dominated centre bounces and boundary throw-ins, but his field play was exceptional.

Tony McGuinness may not be getting as many kicks as a rover should, but his goalkicking genius is nothing short of inspirational.

South Adelaide centreman Michael Bennett was one of the few Panther stars who offered any real resistance to the Glenelg onslaught.