

SPORT

Football Park

SOUTH	3.2	8.4	11.7	17.10	(112)
CENTRAL	1.4	3.9	6.16	12.17	(89)

BEST— South: Schneeblecher, Brooksby, Butler, Dewhurst, Eddy, Dickinson. Central: Bubner, S. Anderson, Lee, Thomas, Roe, Mandemaker.

GOALS— South: Butler 5.1, Stoeckel 3.1, Harris 2.1, Dickinson 2.0, Taylor 2.0, Perks 1.0, Pitman 1.2, Bennett 1.0, Hewitt 0.1, Kappler 0.1, rushed 0.3. Central: Mandemaker 7.3, S. Anderson 3.3, Thomas 1.3, Smith 1.0, Roe 0.2, Girdham 0.1, Little 0.1, Louder 0.1, I. Anderson 0.1, rushed 0.2.

UMPIRES — Stephen Semmler and David Trembath.

Adelaide Oval

TORRENS	2.3	7.4	13.8	18.10	(118)
STURT	7.3	13.4	13.5	15.8	(98)

BEST— Torrens: Payze, Taylor, Christensen, McGrath, Morphett, C. Lindsay, Harper. Sturt: Smith, Whittlesea, Paynter, Darveniza, Russell, Willmott, Underwood.

GOALS— Torrens: Taylor 3.3, Dietrich 3.2, Foote 3.0, McGrath 2.3, Hanna 2.0, Christensen 2.0, Morphett 1.1, C. Lindsay 1.1, Edmonds 1.0. Sturt: Willmott 6.0, Field 2.2, Kitschke 2.0, Smith 2.0, Whittlesea 1.1, Underwood 1.1, Russell 1.0, Moscheni 0.1, Klomp 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — Torrens: B. Lindsay (left thigh). Sturt: Klomp (sprained right ankle).

UMPIRES — Rick Kinnear and Mark Mackie.

Glenelg Oval

GLENELG	8.1	17.3	23.9	27.12	(174)
WOODVILLE	2.2	4.4	8.8	15.10	(100)

BEST— Glenelg: McDermott, Hodgeman, Carey, Marshall, Maynard, MacTavish, Murphy, Grenvold. Woodville: Nichols, Taylor, Panizza, McDonald, Parker.

GOALS— Glenelg: Hodgeman 7.1, Budarick 4.3, Maynard 4.1, Kruse 3.0, Seebohm 2.1, Marshall 2.1, Kidney 2.1, MacTavish 1.0, Kernahan 1.0, Hewett 1.0, McDermott 0.2, W. Stringer 0.1, Donovan 0.1. Woodville: Nichols 7.2, Sewer 2.2, Parker 2.0, Taylor 1.2, Fantasia 1.1, Harris 1.1, Haylock 1.0, Panizza 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — Glenelg: Hodgeman (groin). Woodville: Martin (shin).

UMPIRES — David Elliott and John Hylton.

Alberton Oval

NORTH	2.2	7.5	10.7	11.10	(76)
PORT	2.6	4.8	6.9	10.12	(72)

BEST— North: Sanders, Redden, Wildy, A. Jarman, D. Jarman, Roe, Sims. Port: Abernethy, Borlase, Johnston, Ginever, Curtis, Delaney, Leslie.

GOALS— North: Slattery 3.0, Roberts 2.2, Burton 2.1, Sims 1.3, Arnold 1.1, D. Jarman 1.0, Fischer 1.0, Carlaw 0.1, rushed 0.2. Port: Borlase 3.3, O'Brien 2.1, Harrison 2.0, Abernethy 1.2, Smith 1.1, Ginever 1.0, Ebert 0.2, Phillips 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — PORT: Anderson (ankle), Leslie (shoulder).

UMPIRES — Laurie Argent and Kevin Chambers.

Richmond Oval

NORWOOD	4.7	10.9	15.15	23.24	(162)
WEST	2.3	5.7	8.10	10.13	(73)

BEST— Norwood: Pyke, Aish, Taylor, Payne, Murdoch, Rowe, Fosdike, Balme, Tanner, Kelly. West: O'Riley, Laube.

GOALS— Norwood: Payne 3.3, Ducker 3.2, Aish 3.0, Balme 2.1, Taylor 2.0, Kelly 1.4, Rowe 1.3, Richardson 1.3, Disbury 1.1, Tanner 1.1, McNeil 1.1, Maynard 1.0, Fosdike 1.0, Sampson 1.0, Murdoch 1.0, rushed 0.5. West: O'Riley 3.1, Larkins 2.0, Grosser 2.0, Harbinson 1.2, Shaw 1.1, Herbert 1.0, Woodhall 0.3, Lamb 0.1, Belton 0.1, rushed 0.4.

INJURIES — West: Twomey (groin).

UMPIRES — Ross Campbell and David Crase.

Premiership table

	W	L	D	F	A	%	Pts
NORTH	12	2	0	1622	1254	56.40	24
GLENELG	9	5	0	1849	1450	56.05	18
NORWOOD	9	5	0	1615	1379	53.94	18
WOODVILLE	9	5	0	1573	1612	49.39	18
WEST	7	7	0	1622	1694	48.91	14
Port	7	7	0	1411	1481	48.79	14
Torrens	6	8	0	1412	1385	50.48	12
Central	4	10	0	1458	1707	46.07	8
South	4	10	0	1296	1578	45.09	8
Sturt	3	11	0	1368	1686	44.79	6

Leading Goalkickers

	Games	Y'day	Total
S. Nichols (Woodville)	14	7.2	74.31
J. Roberts (North)	14	2.2	70.29
R. Mandemaker (Central)	14	7.3	69.28
J. Seebohm (Glenelg)	14	2.2	50.29
D. Smith (Port)	14	1.1	49.24
I. Willmott (Sturt)	12	6.0	47.23
C. Stasinowsky (South)	13	—	39.25
D. Stoeckel (South)	10	3.1	37.14

Tearaway Tigers head for showdown

It might seem absurd to suggest it after only 14 rounds — but are we heading for a third Glenelg - North grand final?

Many football fans are asking that question following yesterday's round in which Graham Cornes' powerful "mean machine" destroyed Woodville by 74 points at Glenelg Oval.

The Bays have won their past six matches — the past five by huge margins — and have stormed from seventh to second place on the ladder.

The big test for Glenelg — and perhaps an early pointer to the finals series — comes at Adelaide Oval on August 1 in a round 17 showdown against the superb North Adelaide combination.

The Warriors, for so long this season in second place, have slipped to fourth on percentage following heavy defeats to North and Glenelg in successive weeks.

But Glenelg was not the only side to turn in an awesome performance yesterday.

Norwood handed out an 89-point walloping to West Adelaide and is now third.

The result raises further doubt about the Bloods' ability to stay in the five.

Coach John Cahill described his side's performance as "disgraceful" given that it was such a critical game.

Norwood coach Neil Balme was confident his side would retain its spot for the finals.

Port proved it is not a spent force when it narrowly failed to upset league leader North at Alberton.

Inaccuracy in front of

By Lawrie McCauley

goal, including two "lost" opportunities by Bruce Abernethy late in the match saw the Magpies four points shy of North at the final siren.

However, Port has major concern for dashing follower Greg Anderson and key defender Martin Leslie, who suffered recurrences of serious injuries.

Anderson (ankle) left the field in the second term and Leslie (shoulder) had to be replaced during the third quarter.

West meets Port on Saturday at Football Park in a match crucial to both sides' finals' chances.

Torrens is now just one win behind following its sensational win over Sturt at Adelaide Oval.

Torrens trailed the Blues by six goals at half time, but booted 11.6 to 2.4 to get up for a 20-point win.

Torrens faces North, Glenelg, Port and Norwood in successive weeks.

South had reason to celebrate after climbing off the bottom rung with a solid 23-point win against Central District at Football Park.

It was a day for big goalkicking efforts with Stephen Nichols (Woodville), Kym Hodgeman (Glenelg) and Rudi Mandemaker (Central) each kicking seven, while Ian Willmott (Sturt) booted six.



MAGNIFICENT SEVEN ... Glenelg's Kym Hodgeman kicked seven goals against Woodville yesterday before being taken from the ground with a groin injury in the final quarter

VFL draft to savage SA

Special report by Lawrie McCauley

Amendments to the VFL national draft system this month could have a devastating impact on SA football.

The VFL, which signed 29 SA-based players last year, now wants to turn the draft into a chill wind by increasing the number of interstate choices for each club from five to possibly seven.

Only seven of the SANFL stars drafted last year actually joined their adopted VFL club.

Uncertainty about whether SA would join the "national" competition helped keep some of them in Adelaide.

However, if SA continues to go it alone there could be a mass exodus at the end of this season.

VFL chief executive Mr Alan Schwab says clubs are reviewing the draft system and will report back to the league by July 31.

One amendment being considered is the number of picks for each club.

Mr Schwab said he expected it to range from "a minimum of five and a maximum of seven".

The draft system, introduced last November, is simply designed to strengthen VFL clubs at the expense of all other leagues.

Maximum transfer fees paid by the VFL were reduced from \$60,000 to \$22,500 — robbing our clubs of players and appropriate financial compensation.

Players from top sides, especially those with State and premiership experience, are the natural targets of VFL clubs.

And with less money going to the clubs, players are being offered even more attractive financial inducements to cross the border.

SA was fortunate last year to lose "only" Adam Garton (Brisbane), Chris Duthy (Fitzroy), Tony Symonds (Hawthorn), David Robertson (Collingwood), Stephen Williams (Brisbane), Richard Cousins (Footscray) and Grant Fielke (Collingwood).

But VFL clubs have had an extra 12 months to work on the other 22 drafted players and in most cases have mounted increasing pressure on them to transfer to Melbourne.

All round effort

GRAHAM CORNES (Glenelg): "It was a very good effort all round by the players. Our first half in particular was pleasing."

MALCOLM BLIGHT (Woodville): Coach Blight was unavailable, leaving the ground immediately after the game."

David Marshall is another who is having a great season and his use of the ball by either hand or foot added to the Warriors heartaches.

In defence, centre-half-back Michael Murphy had a grand tussle with Andrew Taylor and David Grenvold complemented a very good unit.

Max Kruse at centre-half-forward put in another workmanlike performance, with Glenelg officials more than happy with his recent displays as Tony Hall recovers from injury.

For Woodville, Steve Nichols booted 7-2 out of the Warriors final tally of 15-10 to be its best.

Brutal Bays make it six in row



Peter Prime

Glenelg stretched its winning sequence to six and buried a demoralised Woodville further into mediocrity, with a whopping 74-point demolition of the Warriors at Glenelg Oval yesterday.

One again the Tigers were magnificent — a relentless, powerhouse victory that saw them leap into second place on the league table and continue their dominance of recent times.

It stamped its authority early in the first term and with fierce, almost brutal tackling and aggression the order of the day, it harassed and hurried Woodville into submission.

The transformation in Glenelg's game over the past six weeks or so has been nothing short of sensational but its big test comes in round 17 at Adelaide Oval — against the superb North Adelaide combination.

Woodville WILL play in the major round come September but its two recent inglorious performances against the Roosters and now Glenelg raises some serious questions as to its credibility.

It must now regroup and bounce back — to hell with the doubters and cynics.

Glenelg again did not have a passenger yesterday.

It took control with a magnificent eight goal first term and repeated the dose in the second quarter with a nine goal blitz.

That really was a case of game, set and match, with the Tigers holding a massive 77-point advantage at the long break.

With champion ruckman Peter Carey dominating in ruck and around the ground, Glenelg's small men ran riot.

Chris McDermott, Peter Maynard, Tony MacTavish, David Marshall and Kym

Hodgeman cut huge holes in the Warrior defence.

Meanwhile, Glenelg was ever-dangerous in attack, providing numerous options, its defence was mean, tough and almighty rebounding and across centre it was gaining a lot of drive through the likes of David Kernahan and Mark Hewitt.

Woodville paled into insignificance.

With limited opportunities Steve Nichols was doing well at full forward and Andrew Taylor battled valiantly.

Woodville woes began even before the first bounce. Coach Malcolm Blight made wholesale changes pre-game (as he did all day) with centreman Ron Fuller the key one, having to pull out with an ankle problem.

Glenelg follower Chris McDermott was again best afield yesterday. His workrate was superb and he is forever mean, committed and inspirational — an integral part of the well-oiled Tiger machine.

Kym Hodgeman, especially in attack, finished with a magnificent 7-1 before he left the field in the last term with a possible groin injury.

Peter Carey continues his masterly form and is now playing as well as he ever has throughout his extraordinary career.