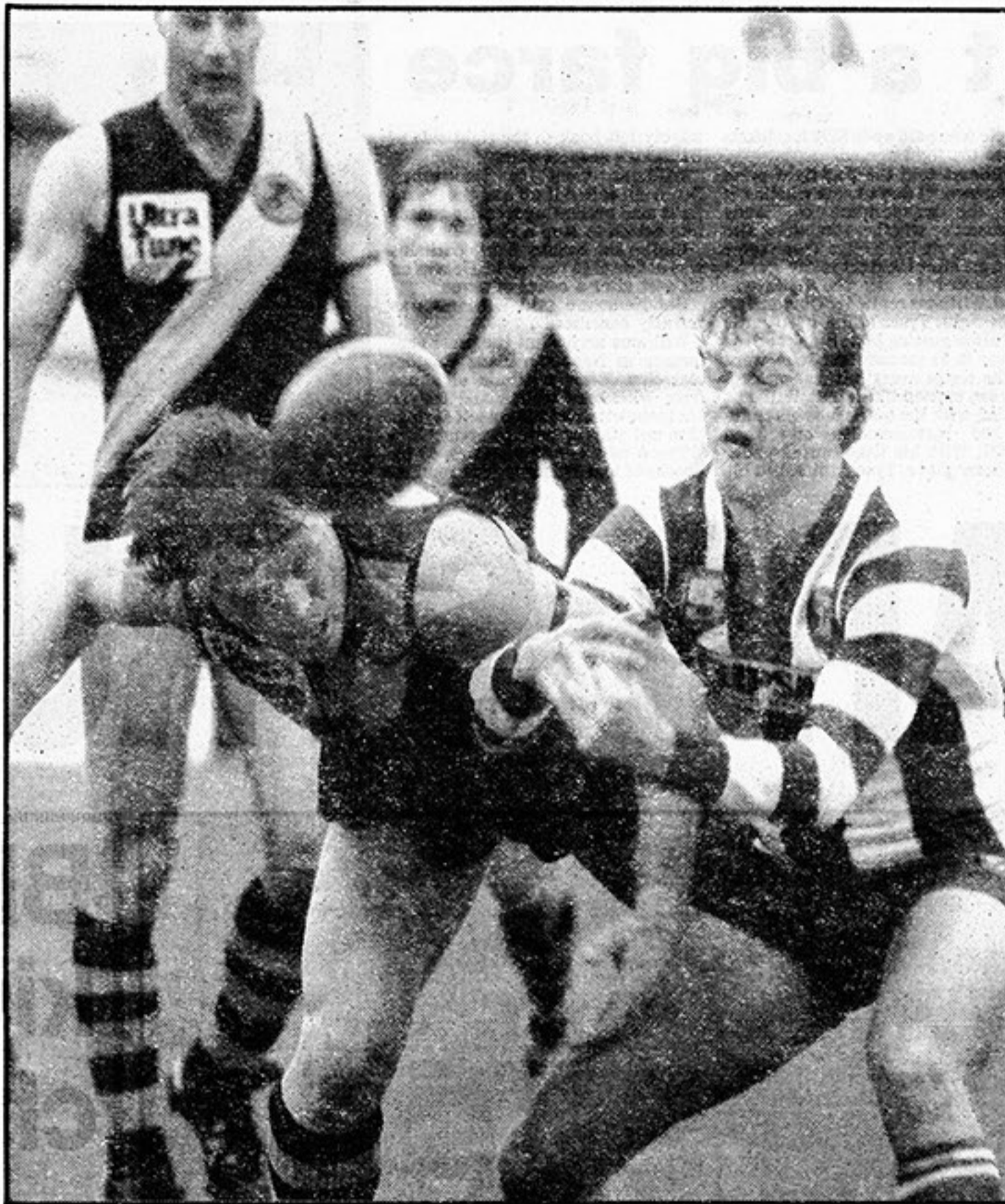


# Bays set for finals



Tiger strongman Scott Salisbury stumbles as he attempts to snatch the ball from North's David Sanders

## Tenacious Tigers down tall timber



ALAN SHIELL reports

Switched-on Glenelg made better use of its restricted chances to topple slightly-on-the-blink league leader North Adelaide in bitterly cold, slippery conditions at Football Park yesterday.

The tenacious Tigers won by 14 points in a low-scoring struggle — 7.8 (50) to 4.12 (36).

Glenelg's eighth win in 15 matches, including its fifth in the past six, was further proof that it deserves its third favoritism (12/1 last week) for the premiership.

Inevitably, North's second loss, following the 84-point hiding Port Adelaide gave it at Football Park on July 1 (the evening of Victoria's trouncing of South Australia in Melbourne), will prompt charges that North is somewhat suspect under pressure.

But it would be unwise, as well as stupidly premature, to draw too many conclusions from the Roosters' display yesterday, however much it still was a shock that they had their colors lowered for only the second time this season — and to a long-time adversary that had won only three of its first nine games.

If you place too much significance on this early match, played in easily the worst conditions of the winter, then you are prepared to be critical of an opera singer with the flu or a ballet dancer with bruised toes.

Drizzling to driving rain and a surface as slippery as an ice-skating rink — but superbly grassed, as always, with no muddy patches anywhere — made the grim, dark, blustery day extremely exacting for all players, especially as they generally had been unaccustomed to playing in the wet this season.

The ball resembled, and was as elusive as, a cake of wet soap. As such, each of the 11 goals became a treasured jewel.

Taking an overhead mark was quite an achievement and even hanging on to chest marks was no mean feat. Kicking and handpassing with any degree of accuracy was a lottery.

Both teams had to contend with all this, of course, and, on the day, Glenelg did it better, although North could claim it still had more scoring shots — 16 to 15.

North could point to its second-quarter inaccuracy with the strong wind to the southern end as the main reason for its demise.

It trailed by only a point — 2.3 to 2.4.

— at the seven-minute mark, then scored six consecutive points, three of which came off the wayward left boot of big Peter Bennett, while Andrew Jarman's normally radar boots got two and the other was rushed.

Glenelg, which failed to score in the second term, clinched victory in the third by adding 4.2 to 1.2 — for a 13-point lead — and sustaining its desperate ways against the wind in the run home.

Kym Hodgeman was a constant source of inspiration for Glenelg, roving everywhere and seemingly revelling in the conditions, as befitting an old campaigner of his vast experience and know-how.

Scott Salisbury, another steel ball of courage and muscle, also was in his element, diving in and out of packs, mostly across half-back, while invariably keeping a close watch on North tough guy Kim Klomp.

Rookie Lynden Bow was a consistent contributor at half-forward and on a wing. Chris Melican produced further evidence, in ruck and field play, of his steady development, David Marshall was characteristically creative in and around the centre and Chris McDermott dished out many typically hard-won opportunities as a follower.

Wingman Tony Symonds gained several important touches, especially early, and follower-forward Peter Maynard and three-goal forward pocket Craig Budarick often were conspicuous, as was a well-drilled defence, led by centre half-back Chris Duthy and back pocket Mark Donovan.

For North, follower Andrew Jarman's 22 kicks and 22 handpasses testified to his astonishing workrate and how he so regularly made light of the greasy grass and ball.

Steven Sims again was a sturdy rover, Trevor Clisby a strong, rebounding centre half-back, Neil Craig a constructive forward flanker-cum-follower, Mike Redden a willing workhorse in ruck and Roger Carlaw a tearaway half-back.

### Graham Cornes said:

"I was delighted with our effort and the hard balls we won. We were able to convert more of our opportunities, even though they were few and far between."

### Mike Nunan said:

"It was the sort of game in which the team that took its opportunities would win. Glenelg not only took them, it earned them."

## Reserves

Glenelg	3.4	6.9	8.13	11.18	(84)
North	1.3	1.5	3.9	3.11	(29)

**BEST — GLENELG:** Mansell, Deane, Poynter, Jameson, Liptak, McCully, Cameron. **NORTH:** Roe, Stone, McClure, Natoli, Ryan.  
**GOALS — GLENELG:** McDonnell, Deane 3, Mansell 2, Hallahan, Poynter, Liptak. **NORTH:** Bennett 2, Reeves.

## Under 19

Glenelg	3.3	7.4	10.4	11.4	(70)
North	1.4	1.4	1.9	2.12	(24)

**BEST — GLENELG:** Wingard, Henderson, McNamara, Barton, Hele, Bowering, Thornborrow. **NORTH:** Peters, Johnson, Huppatz, McGowan, Gregg, Tulley.  
**GOALS — GLENELG:** Hele, Wilson 3, Thornborrow 2, Miles, Barton, Henderson. **NORTH:** Jones, Beinke.

## Under 17

Glenelg	3.0	7.3	9.4	10.6	(66)
North	2.3	5.5	5.5	5.5	(35)

**BEST — GLENELG:** Duke, Dean, Cunningham, Spry, Jolly, Sondomka, M Copping, Betterman. **NORTH:** Routieff, Brooks, Mgaskalo, Nunan, Ashworth, Dixon.  
**GOALS — GLENELG:** Chandler 3, S Copping 2, Dey, Jolly, Jonas, M Copping, Sondomka. **NORTH:** Tape, Nur'an, Dixon, Andrew, Pastro.

## Crowds

Football Park	13,141
Adelaide	2107
Thebarton	3472
Woodville	1576
Total	20,296

## 5AA National Scoreboard

### Football Park

Glenelg	2.4	2.4	6.6	7.8	(50)
North	1.2	2.9	3.11	4.12	(36)

**BEST — GLENELG:** Hodgeman, Salisbury, Bow, Melican, Marshall, McDermott. **NORTH:** A. Jarman, Sims, Clisby, Craig, Redden, Carlaw.  
**GOALS — GLENELG:** Budarick 3.0, Maynard 2.0, Marshall, West 1.0, McDermott, Bow, Bartlett 0.1, rushed 0.5. **NORTH:** Bennett 1.4, Sims, Smart 1.1, Klomp 1.0, A. Jarman 0.2, Craig 0.1, rushed 0.3.  
**UMPIRES —** David Elliott, Graeme Schutz.

### Football Park

Port	4.2	8.2	10.3	11.6	(72)
West	3.1	6.7	8.10	8.16	(64)

**BEST — PORT:** Borlase, Northeast, Delaney, Phillips, Williams, Johnston. **WEST:** Shaw, Lamb, Twomey, Fielke, Cordy, O'Donohue.  
**GOALS — PORT:** Hodges 3.0, Hynes 2.1, Ginever 2.0, D Smith, Borlase, Tregenza, R Smith 1.0, Harrison 0.1, Rushed 0.4. **WEST:** Patterson 2.1, Fitzsimmons, Miller 2.0, Grosser 1.3, Cordy 1.0, Lesiputti 0.3, Twomey, Bayes, Fielke 0.1, Rushed 0.6.  
**INJURIES — PORT:** Abernethy (neck), D Smith (knee).  
**UMPIRES —** Laurie Argent, Mark Mackie.

### Adelaide Oval

South	1.2	4.3	5.4	8.6	(54)
Central	0.2	1.4	1.5	4.8	(32)

**BEST — SOUTH:** Bennett, Hewitt, Trevena, Heath, Butler, Dewhurst, Schmid, Woodlands. **CENTRAL:** Krief, Braddy, Lee, Schwerdt.  
**GOALS — SOUTH:** Mitton 2.1, Stoeckel 2.0, Woodlands 1.3, Smart, Tatterson, Bennett 1.0, rushed 0.2. **CENTRAL:** Robertson 1.1, Krief, Lally, Bubner 1.0, Mandemaker 0.5, Girdham, Chaplin 0.1.  
**INJURIES — SOUTH:** Dillon (strained shoulder), Gatti (thigh, withdrew before the game).  
**UMPIRES —** Michael Abbott, Colin Ricketts.

### Thebarton Oval

Norwood	5.3	6.3	7.3	7.4	(46)
Torrens	0.1	1.4	2.6	2.9	(21)

**BEST — NORWOOD:** Aish, Warhurst, Staritski, Pyke, Francis, Payne, Pittman. **TORRENS:** Geyer, Morphett, Payze, Neave, Robson, B Lindsay, Pisani.  
**GOALS — NORWOOD:** Ducker 2.1, Pascoe 1.1, Van Der Meer 1.0, Visser 1.0, Kelly 1.0, Muster 1.0, rushed 0.2. **TORRENS:** M. Edmonds 1.2, Morphett 1.0, Neave 0.1, Robson 0.1, Graham 0.1, Eichner 0.1, rushed 0.3.  
**INJURIES — NORWOOD:** Scanlon (scratch to eye). **TORRENS:** Spiel (groin), McGrath (shoulder) and Baker (flu) late withdrawals.  
**UMPIRES —** Neville Thorpe, Randall Deverson. (Umpire Deverson replaced by Steve Semmler after injuring leg in last quarter.)

### Woodville Oval

Woodville	4.3	7.5	8.9	14.14	(98)
Sturt	1.3	2.4	2.6	2.9	(21)

**BEST — WOODVILLE:** O'Dwyer, Haylock, Panizza, Negri, Templeton, Klemm, Schwarz, Lynch, Dettmann, Jacquier. **STURT:** McPhee, S. Russell.  
**GOALS — WOODVILLE:** Jakovich 4.4, Templeton 2.3, Martin, Panizza 2.0, Haylock, Cronan, Hicks 1.1; Jacquier 1.0, Schwarz, Fuller 0.1, rushed 0.2. **STURT:** Kitschke 1.1, Ey 1.0, Veale 0.2, Field, Wark, Argus, Lienert 0.1, rushed 0.2.  
**INJURIES — STURT:** Whittlesea (knee).  
**UMPIRES —** Max Cuzzocrea, David Trembath.

## Ladder

	W	L	D	F	A	%	Pts
NORTH	13	2	0	1779	1062	62.62	26
PORT	13	2	0	1834	1216	60.13	26
GLENELG	8	7	0	1295	1423	47.65	16
CENTRAL	8	7	0	1413	1554	47.62	16
TORRENS	8	7	0	1361	1511	47.39	16
Norwood	6	9	0	1432	1427	50.09	12
Woodville	6	9	0	1359	1457	48.26	12
West	5	10	0	1414	1582	47.20	10
South	5	10	0	1206	1586	43.19	10
Sturt	3	12	0	1210	1485	44.90	6