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#### Football Park

West 4.5 8.7 13.10 19.16 (130) Sturt 2.4 4.8 7.14 10.19 (79)

BEST — WEST: Ravesi, Patterson, G. Fielke, Bartsch, Banfield, Grosser, Ebert, Fitzsimmons, STURT: Johns, Russell, Whittlesea, Veale.

GOALS — WEST: Byrne 7.6, Fitzsimmons 3.2, A. Fielke 3.1, G. Fielke 3.0, Grosser 1.2, Mellor, Bartsch 1.0, Foott, Banfield 0.1, rushed 0.3. STURT: Bastian 3.2, Johns 2.5, Russell 2.1, Wallensky 1.2, Sutterby 1.1, Burke 1.0, Radbone 0.3, Field 0.2, Lienert, Veale 0.1, rushed 0.1. INJURIES — WEST: Sean Blythe (call).

UMPIRES — Laurie Argent, David Weston.

#### Football Park

Glenelg 7.5 9.9 14.16 19.20 (134) Torrens 2.1 2.5 7.6 8.11 (59)

BEST — GLENELG: Fidge, Deane, Thompson, Hallahan, Marshall, Christie, McDermott, Jameson, TORRENS: Neave, Nelson, Payze, S. Hannam, Spehr, Popplestone, Morphett, Spiel.

GOALS — GLENELG: Fidge 8.5, Bow 2.1, Deane 2.0, Murphy 1.2, Christie, Lamb, Jameson, Hallahan, Battiston 1.1, Salisbury 1.0, Mansell 0.3, Marshall 0.2, rushed 0.2. TORRENS: Neave 2.2, Spehr, Nelson 2.1, S. Hannam 1.1, Payze 1.0, Schache 0.2, Popplestone, Pyman, Robson 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — GLENELG: Melican (ankle). TORRENS: Somerville (slight hamstring).

UMPIRES - David Elliott, Rick Williams.

#### Adelaide Oval

South Woodville 5.5 7.6 14.9 21.17 (143) 1.3 4.9 7.9 10.10 (70)

BEST — SOUTH: Grummett, Bickley, McIntyre, Baker, Trevena, Kappler, Battams, Dewhirst, Tatterson. WOODVILLE: McDonald, Jakovich, Fuller.

GOALS — SOUTH: McIntyre 6.3, Tatterson 4.2, Grummet 4.1, Dewhirst 3.1, Bickley 1.2, Stoeckel 1.1, Bennett, Page 1.0, Winton 0.2, Baker, Trevena, Battams 0.1, rushed 0.2. WOODVILLE: Jakovich 5.5, Grant 1.1, Colbey, Gerke, Champion, Sewer 1.0, Klug 0.2, Cox, Klemm 0.1.

UMPIRES — Michael Abbott, Jeff Jeanes.

#### Norwood Oval

North 4.6 7.8 16.11 21.13 (139) Norwood 2.3 5.5 7.9 10.10 (70)

BEST — NORTH: Jarman, Klomp, Hart, Saunders, Clisby, Craig, Bennett, NORWOOD: McIntosh, Aish, Scanlon, Tanner, D'Antocchia, Jarman.

GOALS — NORTH: Burton 4.0, Hart, Jarman 3.2, Redden 3.1, Bennett 3.0, Vanzetta 1.3, Saliba, Cralg, Lehmann, Sanders 1.0, Klomp, Marshall 0.1, rushed 0.3. NORWOOD: Aish 6.1, Smart 2.1, Rowe, Klaebe 1.0, Maynard, McIntosh 0.2, James, Tanner 0.1, rushed 0.2. INJURIES — NORWOOD: Weeding (bruised back). REPORTS — NORWOOD: McIntosh, three reports for

REPORTS — NORWOOD: McIntosh, three reports for alleged striking (In two separate incidents). Aish, two reports for an alleged striking offence.

UMPIRES — Rick Kinnear, Mark Mackie.

#### **Alberton Oval**

Port 4.4 6.11 9.15 19.20 (134) Central 2.2 5.7 7.9 7.13 (55)

BEST — PORT: Wanganeen, Johnston, Phillips, Glnever, D. Smith, S. Williams, Abernethy, Hodges, CENTRAL: Handley, Chaplin, Schwerdt, Lee, Prior, Smith,

GOALS — PORT: Hodges 5.7, D. Smith 4.0, Ginever 3.0, Wanganeen, Mahney 2.0, R. Smith 1.1, Boyd, Tregenza 1.0, Hutton 0.2, S. Williams, M. Williams, Hynes 0.1, rushed 0.7. CENTRAL: Schwerdl 2.0, Ghazi 1.5, G. Smith, Mandemaker, Lynn 1.1, Chaplin 1.0, McAdam, Ingerson, Holmes, Girdham 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES -- PORT: Harris (foct). CENTRAL: Phillip Lounder (corked thigh), Roger Girdham (slight hamstring).

UMPIRES - John Hylton, Steve Semmler.

#### Goalkickers

|                         | Games | Y'day | Total |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| S. Hodges (Port)        | 19    | 5     | 119   |
| A. Jakovich (Woodville) | 18    | 5     | 88    |
| J. Fidge (Gleneig)      | 13    | 8     | 66    |
| D. Jarman (North)       | 18    | 3     | 51    |
| R. Mandemaker (Central) | 18    | 1     | 51    |
| J. Weeding (Norwood)    | 16    | 0     | 50    |
| D. Stoeckel(South)      | 19    | 1     | 45    |
| D. Hart (North)         | 16    | 3     | 45    |
| C. Lamb (Glenelg)       | 16    | 1     | 45    |
| G. Coffee (Central)     | 18    | 0     | 42    |
| L. Schache (Torrena)    | 19    | 0     | 40    |

| Crowds        | 1:0030 |
|---------------|--------|
| Football Park | 7220   |
| Adelaide      |        |
| Norwood       |        |
| Alberton      | 7012   |

## REDLEG MISERY

#### By LAWRIE McCAULEY

Norwood yesterday was reeling after a heavy loss to North Adelaide and the dramatic, multiple reports of club champions Garry McIntosh and Michael Aish.

The pair will answer a total of five report charges before the league tribunal tomorrow night.

In a day of sensations:

 Central District crashed out of the five after a devastating final term by Port Adelaide at Alberton, in which the Magpies kicked 10 goals to nil.

 West Adelaide grabbed fifth spot after easily accounting for Sturt at Football Park. West need only win this Saturday, at Richmond Oval, to cement its position in the finals for the first time since 1985.

South Adelaide thrashed Woodville 21.17 to 10.10 and is poised to replace West in the final five if it emerges triumphant from their clash next weekend.

Only West, Central and South are left in the running to join Port, Glenelg, North and Norwood in the major round.

Norwood lost the fights and the football at The Parade. Despite scores being tied early in the third term, North romped home to win 21.13 to 10.10.

The report charges against McIntosh, the club captain, and Aish, who had been skipper for the previous three years, were:

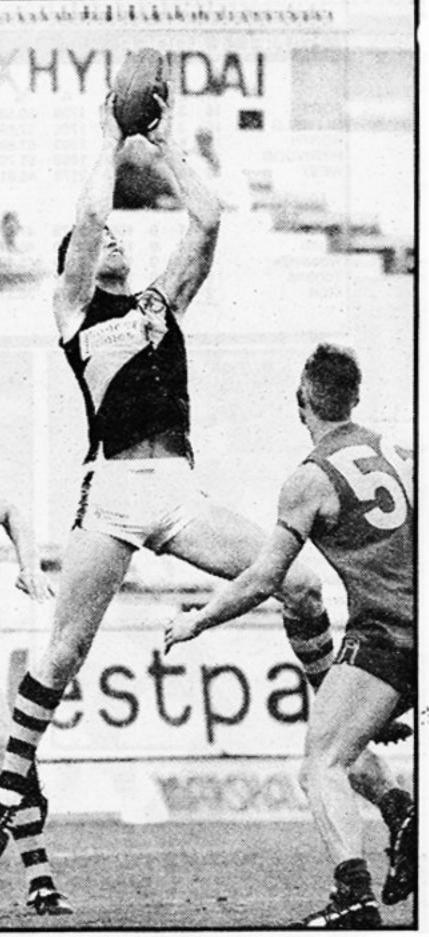
• McIntosh, second term by field umpire Mark Mackie for allegedly striking Michael Parsons. Mackie indicated the use of an elbow when he took McIntosh's number.

 McIntosh, third term by boundary umpire Joe Valenti for allegedly striking Kim Klomp.

 McIntosh, third term by goal umpire Russell Roberts for allegedly striking Kim Klomp.

Aish, third term by Mackie for allegedly striking Bradley Ryan.

 Aish, third term by goal umpire Roberts for allegedly striking Ryan.



Gleneig's Allan Bartlett pulls down one of his five marks for the day.

# Bays get back in gear

The commitment and drive that kept Glenelg at the head of the premiership ladder for so much of season 1990, is back.

Languishing in ninth position on the ladder with its finals hopes long since extinguished, West Torrens had nothing to lose when it took to the field in yesterday's late game at Football Park.

By contrast, Glenelg's Tigers had the task of proving to themselves, their fans and their coach that they have the teeth to be fair dinkum contenders for this year's grand final.

In a display of what was at times arrogant football, the Bays shrugged off the stigma of three unconvincing performances in recent weeks to dominate play from the first bounce with their characteristically strong running game.

The Glenelg that dished out a 75-point walloping yesterday was vastly different to the Glenelg that defeated final-five-aspirant West Adelaide by just 16 points on August 11, bowed down to North Adelaide by 21 points in round 17 and cut a fired-up Central District a mile of slack before pulling off a final quarter win last week at Elizabeth.

Football history is richly studded with stories of lower teams beating the odds and upsetting the big boys of the competition long after any semblance of hope for a finals berth has long-since evapourated.

SEAN

No such fairy tale was unveiled at Football Park yesterday.

With the timely return of star Tigers, David Marshall and Adrian Battiston, and lethal goalsneak John Fidge, the Eagles were fair game to be used as match practice and Glenelg made it look easier than beating a deaf man in musical chairs.

With what is little more than an internal trial game between newfound team-mates from Woodville in the final round, yesterday's game was effectivley West Torrens' last outing before next season's the much talked about merger.

At 6.30 pm yesterday, future selectors for the new "Eagles" would have walked away thinking there could be a disproportionate number of former Woodville Warriors in the new club's starting line-up.

The importance of a good showing seemed to be recognised by

Simon Neave who worked like a Trojan with 14 kicks, two marks and seven hand passes for 2.2 while Andrew Payze and Robbie Popplestone turned it on the sort of performances which might earn them a couple of the new guern-seys next year.

Also, Andy Bennett could scrape some solace from the performances of Jason Spehr, the lofty youngster who spends the warmer months wielding a tennis racquet with plenty of success and Frank Spiel who toiled in the ruck.

But it was all in vain. After a shaky few opening minutes, John Fidge came to life and provided the spark to rekindle the fire Glenelg needed.

In one of the day's best passages of play Ross Gibbs capped off a solid day by bursting out of the backlines to charge down the members' wing. Brett Deane was well positioned, as he was for most of the day, to take over from there and deliver the ball safely to Fidge who made no mistake in bagging one of his eight goals for the day.

Fidge was escorted from the ground in the dying moments after a tussle in the goal-square left him limping slightly, but after the match club officials confirmed the move was merely precautionary.

Ruckman Chris Melican was not so lucky. He was forced from the field in the second term with a twisted ankle but is expected to be fit by next week.

#### Reserves

Glenelg 10.2 20.6 21.8 26.12 (168) Torrens 6.2 7.3 12.6 13.9 (87)

BEST — GLENELG: Kepp, Chigwidden, Hele, Maynard, McIntosh, Rouvray, Stuart, Barton, TORRENS: Harper, James, Dibiase, Toohey.

GOALS — GLENELG: Barron 5, Hele, Hocking, Rouvray
4, Barton, Chigwidden 3, McIntosh, Tumer, Donovan,
TORRENS: Pierson 3, Harper 2, Woodall, Berggren,
Hofner, Diblase, Meade, Toohey, Crack, Hill.

South

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### As two teams square up for the final round, it's ...

Simunsen

■ An historic era is drawing to a close. Next Saturday's Round 20 series of SANFL matches will mark the end of football as we know it.

■ The State's most successful club, Port Adelaide, is hell-bent on joining the Australian Football

■ Close. Next Saturday's Round 20 a bombshell that has rocked SA football foundations.

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■ Cleague next year as its 15th team and the forerunner of other voluntary amalgamations.

■ The new name of the club will be Woodville-West/Torrens Football Club Inc — the Eagles — and their colors will be lue, gold and green. The guernsey is yet to be cleasing in the first pointing the Australian Football merger this century —

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■ The state's most successful club in the first plant of the club will be woodville west/Torrens Football sawe are football will be woodville and west played at Football Park.

■ Members from both clubs will be asked in early October officially to approve the merger, with the SANFL fully supporting the move.

■ So this is goodbye...

■ PETER PRIME looks at the history of the two clubs.

## 1964





OODVILLE, as with many clubs, has always had a nucleus of top players... but for its legion of diehard fans, it's been a tale of broken dreams.

Admitted to the league in 1964, it has spent an abysmally long time near the depths of the SANFL premiership table.

Yet, under its favorite footballing son, Malcolm Blight, the 1972 Magarey Medallist and the 1978 Brownlow Medallist, Woodville gave every sporting team or participant faith that miracles really could happen.

In the winter of 1979, the club had a brief flirtation with glory when it finished fifth under coach Barry Goodingham, only to finish bottom the next year.

But Blight's return in 1983 after a magnificent career with North Melbourne captured everyone's imagination and heralded an exciting new era clearly the finest and most memorable time in Woodville's history.

He more than any was instrumental in changing the club's image, both on and off the field.

The Peckers, as they were known then, were replaced by the Warriors, and slowly, surely, Woodville began a fairytale climb.

Sunday, September 21, 1986, probably rates as one of the most exciting in SANFL history when Woodville defeated proud and true Port Adelaide 18.20 to 18.13 in the first semi-final at Football Park in front of 39,066 fans.

The Warriors, everyone's second favorite team, had come from a seemingly hopeless position after the 10th series to enter the preliminary final, only to lose to eventual premier Glenelg by 21 points.

For the first time in the club's history, Woodville was no longer regarded as a pushover. It had earned the respect of all.

Since then, however, the Warriors have again fallen on lean times, apart from grabbing the 1988 Escort Cup premiership under present coach Russell Ebert — their only senior premiership.

As with most clubs, Woodville has lacked depth, although, significantly, it has produced some outstanding players.

None has been better than Malcolm Blight, a

football superstar and one of our greatest ever players. Then there was Phil Maylin, a dynamic, courageous wingman who later switched to Carlton where he had a big impact.

John Roberts was a superb, high-flying forward who played with great success for South Melbourne and later West Torrens and North Adelaide, while Ralph Sewer remains a football enigma - still wearing the Woodville jumper at the age of

Bob Simunsen, Rod Allen, Colin MacVicar, John Girardi, Frank Stemper, Ray Huppatz, Lindsay Heaven, Andrew Rogers, Max Parker and Kevin Harris all gave wonderful service to the club, while today, Allen Jakovich and Richard Champion are a duo destined for football greatness.



John Girardi



Malcolm Blight



**Bob Hank** 



**Bob Shearman** 

OUR premierships... an honor roll etched with the names of some of the games greatest players... decades of anxiety, anguish

> and frustration. That about sums up the bitter-sweet 93-year history of West Torrens Football Club.

> Dark clouds have hung over the Eagles since their last premiership way back in 1953.

Sure, there have been some fleeting moments of respectabilty, including an Escort Cup night premiership in 1983. But, overall, it's largely been a time of despair.

Some will argue that Torrens inherited problems with the entry of Central District and Woodville into the league competition in 1964, while an unfair boundaries system is also a justified excuse.

But the club's fade from glory over the past 37 seasons is perhaps one of the biggest disappointments to emerge in SA football.

The Eagles last played in the finals in 1980 under Neil Kerley. It finished fifth.

Like Woodville, it has had the nucleus of good players, but it has suffered when injuries have

There have been problems at a management level and a distinct lack of unity, but that's no

The Eagles, with president Rex Sellers and general manager Tony Farrugia in control, have adopted a far more professional attitude off field.

Its operation has been streamlined and pre-season the club took an almighty step when it announced it would relocate from its home base of Thebarton Oval to Football Park.

Now, with Andy Bennett at the controls, the club has shown signs of developing into a genuine threat. But time and again it has broken the hearts of its loyal supporters by losing games it should have won.

Over the years, some magnificent footballers have worn the Eagle emblem.

Who can forget two-times Magarey Medallist Bob Hank and the skill and artistry of Lindsay Head, winner of the coveted award in 1955, 1958 and 1963?

Simply, there have been few, if any, better.

Bob Shearman was another brilliant contributor, along with the likes of Geoff Kingston, Glen Pill, John Graham, Kevin McSporran, Peter Phillipou and John Birt to name a few.

Then there was Fred Bills, a valiant performer for the Eagles for many seasons one of the hardest, toughest

combatants the club has seen. In recent times, Neville Roberts, Jeff Sarua, Matthew Rendell, Dominic Fotia, Steven Stretch and Andrew Payze have all been tremendous players, while present captain Bruce Lindsay rates as one of the club's

finest. Lindsay has been captain of the Eagles since 1984 and is also a former State skipper.

But all too often, it's been left to too few to do too much.

### THE HISTORY ...

Founded: 1938 (entered league 1964) Colors: Green and gold Emblem: Warriors Chairman: Bill Sanders President: Kevin Angel General manager: Geoff Hosking Coach: Russell Ebert Captain: Romano Negri Vice-captain: Peter Schwarz Premierships: NI Grand finals: Nil Finals: 1979, 1986-7 Wooden spoons: Nine - 1965, 1967,

1971, 1980-5 Other premierships: 1988 Escort Cup Most years as coach: Five - Malcolm Blight 1983-7

Most years as captain: Three - Peter 1965-7; Noel Teasdale 1968-70; Girardi 1975-77, Malcolm Blight 1983-85, Max Parker 1982, 1986-7 Most games: 321 - Ralph Sewer 1969-80 and 1984-89. He also played 57 for Gleneig and 12 for South Australia Most State games: Raiph Sewer 12 Interstate captains: Malcolm Blight 1985 Magarey Medallists: Malcolm Blight 1972

Ken Farmer Medallists: Malcolm Blight 1985; Stephen Nichols 1986, 1988 All-Australians: Malcolm Blight 1972 and 1985; John Roberts 1980 (while playing with South Melbourne); Andrew Rogers

Most goals in a match: 16 by John Roberts v Central at Football Park on July

Most goals in a season: 126 by Malcolm Blight in 1985. Others: 104 by Trevor Pierson in 1982: 103 by Stephen Nichols n 1986 and 1988 Highest goels aggregate: Ralph Sewer 1969-80 and 1984-90

Best home attendance: 11,026 v Port on August 9, 1986, at Woodville Best finals attendance: 39,066 v Port in 1986 first semi-final at Football Park



Heaven

Parker



Bills



Birt



### THE HISTORY ...

Founded: 1897. Colors: Blue and Gold. Emblem: Eagle

President: Rex Sellers; General Manager: Tony Farrugia: Coach: Andy Bennett; Captain: Bruce Lindsay; Vice-captain: Andrew Payze Premierships: Four — 1924, 1933, 1945, 1953

Grand finals: Eight — 1924-5, 1933, 1939, 1945,

Wooden spoons: Five - 1930, 1941, 1975-6,

Other premierships: 1983 Escort Cup Most years as coach: Five — A. "Joe" Kinlough 1952-6. Most years as captain: Nine — Bob Hank 1947-55 Most games: 327 — Lindsay Head 1952-70

Most State games: 37 — Lindsay Head 1952-70 Interstate captains: Raiph Aldersey 1905, 1908; Francis "Roy" Brown 1924; S. "Max" Pontifex 1934; R.W. "Bob" Hank 1947-9, 1951-4; Lindsay Head 1960; Bob Shearman 1962-4; Bruce Lindsay 1987 Magarey Medallists: Tom MacKenzie 1902; David Low 1912; S. "Max" Pontifex 1932; R.W. "Bob"

Hank" 1946-7; Lindsay Head 1955, 1958, 1963. Simpson Medallists: Bob Shearman 1964 All-Australians: Bob Hank 1953; Lindsay Head 1956; Geoff Kingston 1961; Bob Shearman 1961; Matt Rendell 1983, 1987 (both while playing with

Most goals in a match: 12 by Mick Clingly v Glenelg at Thebarton on August 25, 1956 and 12 by Brian Muhthill v Woodville at Adelaide on May 13,

Most goals in a season: 85 by John Willis in 1952 Highest goals aggregate: 524 by Lindsay Head, 1952-70

Best home attendance: 20,832 v Norwood at Thebarion on May 26, 1962 Best finals attendance: 47,755 v Norwood, 1948

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Last premiership aide: 1953 — Torrens 9.13 d. Port 8.12. The side — F: R. Hank, J. Willis, D. Prior. HF: L. Head, W.D. Cockshell, W. Hank, C: W.J. Carr, Bob Hank, E. Lodge, HB: R. Sulley, R. Ashby, F. Graham, B: K. Thiele, A. Roberts, M. Clingly, Rucks: E.J. Coverlid, C. Pyatt, J. Bradford, Reserves: R. Kutcher, G. Downey, Coach: Joe Kindwich. Kinlough.