

A reflection into the club and its players from a different perspective through snippets of yesteryear

Round 8 Edition

"Adelaide Now" Monday 27 June 2011

Sunday Mail SANFL writer Jai Bednall lists the awards from the Round 13 SANFL matches and assessment of North's match against Glenelg.

AWARDS

Forward of the week: Johnny Boras (North Adelaide). The 20-year-old behemoth was the story of the day at Prospect. He straightened North up considerably, leading out from full forward with authority and marking strongly all afternoon. His kicking for goal (he kicked 8.0) was faultless and he even gift-wrapped a pair of goals for Daniel Motlop by handballing to him in the goal square. With a rockstar name and bucket loads of talent, Boras is on his way to becoming a fan favourite. "He actually reminds me of Stuart Dew," North coach Josh Francou said. "After training every night, he's the one kicking goals. Always kicking snap shots, always has a footy in his hand."

Midfielder of the week: James Allan (North Adelaide). Anyone kept player stat records going back a few seasons? Surely Allan must be heading towards some kind of record after another 45 disposal haul on Saturday. He also had 10 clearances. Wow.



"Chronicle" - Saturday 4 October 1919

** The 1919 Finals series was unique with North Adelaide at the forefront. North drew with Torrens in the Final then won the Replay by 5 pints. After defeating Sturt in the 2nd Final they met them in the Challenge Final which resulted in another draw. The article below following this math

"There must be a play-off of the match. Next Saturday the Adelaide Oval is engaged by the Amateur Athletic Association, which has already once postponed its sports. The following Saturday there will be cricket on the oval. The league delegates held a meeting immediately after the game, and considered the position. No provision had been made to meet the possibility of another draw, and after the meeting the secretary (Mr. F. Marlow) stated that the league had no alternative but to decide upon Eight Hours Day (October 8) for the play-off. The league was very reluctant in providing a counter-attraction to the Eight Hours sports, and had decided to donate £100 to the Eight Hours day committee."



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North Adelaide Football Club Annual Report - 1921

"Your Committee are pleased to report that after negotiations with the Prospect District Council a satisfactory agreement has been entered into, whereby for a term of five years, with the right of renewal for a further five years, your Club is to have the use of the newly-formed Oval at Prospect. Home and home matches are to be played, and your Club is to have a training room, which it can call its own. Provision is to be made for the accommodation of the B Club, and we are looking forward to ha happy time in our new quarters."



*"Football Times" Thursday 7 July
1983*

"Geelong's release of Paul (sic.) Harrison to North Adelaide has the usual attachments that are a trademark of VFL sides these days. Those around the Geelong club see Harrison's transfer as part of a move to secure the services of North's talented State utility, Greg McAdam next season. McAdam is tied to the Cats under the draft system (for what it's worth) and they are keen to have him at Kardinia Park in 1984."

From The Quotebook... 2004

"Chris (Ladhams) has got his critics, but when he comes back and plays for us he really does put his club first and plays for his club jumper" – coach Andrew Jarman (on Ladhams' return to Prospect between Crows games).



The Official N.A.F.C. Website – June 2013

A Message from Bohdan Jaworskyj

"Dear Member/Supporter,

As you know, the NAFC together with the SANFL and the other SANFL Clubs are currently in discussions around the concept of the Adelaide and Port Adelaide Football Clubs fielding reserves teams within the SANFL. We have been prompted to review our competition due to the likelihood of the transfer of the AFL licences to Adelaide and Port Adelaide in the near future.

At present, the details surrounding the discussions are, by necessity, being carried out on a confidential basis. However, we believe there is some important information you should know.

The League Directors, including myself, have been working with the SANFL to arrive at four guiding principles which form the basis for all discussions and negotiations around this issue. These guiding principles have been agreed to by all Clubs and the SANFL as non-negotiable elements and can be summarized as:

1. Integrity: Any change in competition structure must maintain or enhance the integrity of the SANFL competition.
2. Relevance: Any change in competition structure must maintain or enhance the relevance of the SANFL competition as the best State league in Australia.
3. SANFL and SANFL Club Viability: Any change to the competition structure must improve the long term strength and sustainability of the SANFL and SANFL Clubs: and
4. Game Development: Any change to the competition structure must enhance the development of the game at all levels across South Australia.

As you can see from the above, the SANFL and the SANFL Clubs are steadfast in our resolve that the SANFL competition must be protected, it must remain relevant, it must be viable and that game development through the SANFL competition must continue to be of the utmost importance.

The very notion of evaluating the positives and negatives of adding additional teams to our competition is a complex matter. Be assured the SANFL and SANFL Clubs are diligently working hard on analyzing and discussing this important issue.

The process from here will be; Upon the successful negotiation of the transfer of the AFL licences and following the receipt, assessment and discussion of detailed submissions from the Adelaide and Port Adelaide Football Clubs, the SA Football Commission will make a recommendation for the SANFL League Directors to consider. Nothing can happen without the approval of the League Directors.

I would like to underline that the NAFC, in consultation with the SANFL and the other SANFL Clubs will make the decision that is in the best interests our Club, our members, our league and the South Australian football community.

Kind Regards,

Bohdan Jaworskyj

PRESIDENT"

From The Newspapers Match Report Quotebook

David Tiller (1983, Rd 12 v WT)

"He (Tiller) looks pretty untidy for a vice-captain, but he sure as hell can play football. David Tiller epitomises what North is all about... run, aggression and skills" - *The Advertiser*

Daniel Hargraves (2005, Rd 13 v St)

From the moment Daniel Hargraves blew a kiss to the North Adelaide faithful, the Rooster blitzkrieg began. Just 70 seconds after the first bounce, Hargraves managed to put through a 65m bomb from a set shot, triggering a match-winning seven goal first term against a wasteful Sturt" - *Sunday Mail*

Marc Marshall (1994, Rd 13 v SA)

"Injury-plagued Marc Marshall yesterday starred in his comeback game as North Adelaide stormed into the five... He celebrated his return with a peerless defensive display, characterised by strong marking, effective tackling, and a fearless direct approach on the football. His rebounding, 25-possession game from a half-back flank was possibly the difference between the teams"- *The Advertiser*

Donald Lindner (Part 1)

"North Adelaide, down 17 points with six minutes to go, was almost skyrocketed to victory against West Adelaide... by the brilliance of Lindner at centre half-forward. Three times Lindner soared to pull down spectacular marks which he followed with long drop kicks. The first sailed through for a goal, the second was... booted through by Bunton, and with a minute remaining, McKenzie marked the third and goaled" - *The Advertiser* (1956, Rd 1 v WA)

"One mark by Lindner, in the second quarter, rivalled the legendary 'Ian McKay' one. Lindner captured the ball with his knees on his tall opponents shoulders - the unwilling step ladder was Keane - and crashed down in front of him. His quick recovery and kick resulted in Bunton goaling almost unchallenged" - *The Advertiser* (1956, Rd 14 v WT)

"He is 32 and has played 213 league games with an almost reckless disregard for personal safety, yet North Adelaide captain Don Lindner outmarked, outran and outkicked everybody at Richmond Oval on Saturday. He was the five-goal difference... Lindner's first half was superb. His dominance at centre half-forward in the first quarter was so complete that North could have ended it 10 goals in front had it kicked for goal more accurately" - *The Advertiser* (1967, Rd 5 v WA)

"Lindner was North's best player. As ever, his high marking was a feature of his game. But his erstwhile over-enthusiasm has now been curbed, so that he is now a strong cog in a smoothly functioning machine" - *The Advertiser* (1958, Rd 8 v St)

"North is a potent league force again, with... Don Lindner, back to his best. North supporters were carried to dizzy heights of ecstasy as their team was lifted to victory on Lindner's high-leaping back and explosive boot. Twice in the thrilling final minutes Lindner soared for breath-taking marks and booted goals to give North a one-point lead;" *The Advertiser* (1959, Rd 15 v WA)

Tom Mackenzie (1908, Rd 8 v WA)

"T. Mackenzie is usually recognised as one of the coolest and cleanest players in the league, and on Saturday he ably kept up his reputation" - *The Advertiser*

Stephen Riley (1988, Rd 2 v SA)

"The most memorable moment, in a highly memorable personal performance, fell to the enigmatic Steven Riley, for so long overshadowed by the presence of brother John, when he bounced and weaved a passage past some desperate South defenders and goaled" - *Sunday Mail*

Heseldine Searle (1912, Rd 1 v WA)

"H. Searle... was given a turn at following, and at first blush it was apparent that in him North have obtained a player of high calibre. He is of good physique, quick in his movements, and exercises coolness and judgement" - *Evening Journal*

Tony Armstrong (2011, Rd 18 v WA)

"Tony Armstrong, the forgotten Crow, played a peach of a game and it was worth turning up the game just to watch him patrol the backline. Not only is he beginning to silence the critics that have questioned his mettle, he still delivers the ball with five-star foot skills and the poise of a veteran" - *City North Messenger*

Tommy Rosman (1899, Rd 18 Medindie v Gawler)

"Rosman bore the brunt of the work for the red-and-whites. He is a sterling player, and his dexterity in giving marks in a scrimmage astonishing. He would creditably fill a place in any team" - *South Australia Register*

Tim Perkins (1994, Rd 22 v SA)

"Captain Tim Perkins has excelled at centre half-back, both physically and verbally" - *The Advertiser*

Graeme Ashby (1962, Rd 8 v SA)

"Ashby, at centre half-forward, is possibly the best first-year player in the league and his command of such a difficult position made him the most polished player in the game" - *The Advertiser*