

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

Round 14 Edition

"City North Messenger" - Thursday 21 August 2014

"North Adelaide will tell forward Alan Obst to be more diligent when attacking contests after his latest suspension left him five games away from a life ban. The SANFL tribunal handed Obst a two-game suspension for forceful front-on contact on Tuesday night, taking his career tally to 11 matches. Under football's national deregistration policy, adopted by the SANFL in 2012, a player is suspended for life when his suspension record reaches 16 or more games.

Obst's teammate Michael Clinch is the league's closest player to the threshold with 12 games, while Eagles forward Adam Grocke has also been banned for 11 matches — seven of which came this year after his sickening collision with Central District's Brad Symes.

Roosters football manager Darryl Wintle said some of the incidents Obst and Clinch had been suspended for were "split-decision outcomes." "They have to be more diligent in the way they attack a contest but you can't have them running past the contests so they don't get reported," Wintle said. "They're not thug acts but unfortunately repeat offenders are going to get found out."

The News" - Saturday 12 July 1947

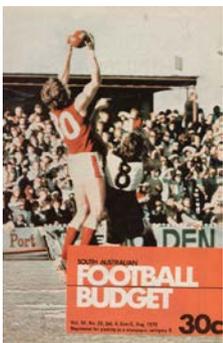
North Forward Is Also Bowls And Tennis Star

"Six years ago, the elders of Waikerie, a fruit-growing town on the Murray, sat back content that in tall, 13 st., 21-year-old Ross Lehmann, the town had a coming champion. But they weren't thinking of football. That was the day when Ross — last week selected to play in the South Australian carnival football team at Hobart — was runner-up in the district bowls singles title. The could hardly be a bigger sports contrast than between bowls — allegedly an 'old man's game' — and football. But Lehmann mixes them successfully and with pleasure. As well, he finds time for tennis. Last Easter, he took the district tennis singles, doubles and mixed double titles, and in 1938, was runner-up in the handicap singles at the Memorial Drive country tournament. Further, in case anyone should hold the mistaken idea that such a big man as Lehmann must necessarily be a ponderous mover on the football field, it is interesting to know that while in the Army he won 100 and 220 yards sprints at 9th Divisional artillery sports in North Queensland, and clocked round 10 ½ sec. for the shorter distance.

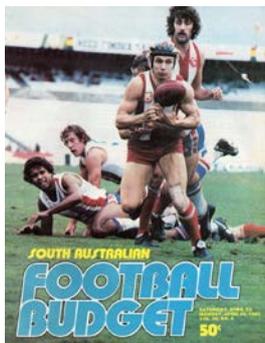


"Lehmann is only one of the many North Adelaide footballers of past and present, who have reached prominence in other fields. Others quickly recalled on training nights last week were Douglas Parnell, half-back and ruckman, who retired before the war. He still has a fine baritone singing voice. Only this week, too, a copy of his handbook on football for junior players. "Well Played" reached this office. Amos Bottroff is another who put out a handbook on the game. "Pompey" Oatway combined rucking with the more intricate pastime of dancing — he was a State champion: Lisle Melvin, who played last year, recently fought Jack Johnson for the light-heavyweight boxing title, and Colin Aamodt has distinguished himself as a foot-runner."

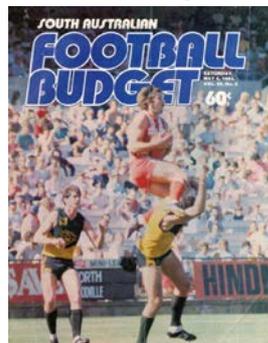
South Australia National Football League Football Budget — A Recollection



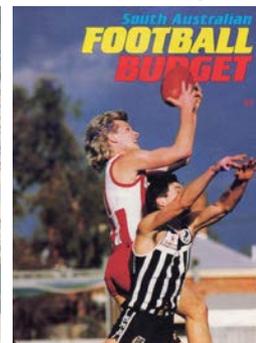
Rd 18, 1979



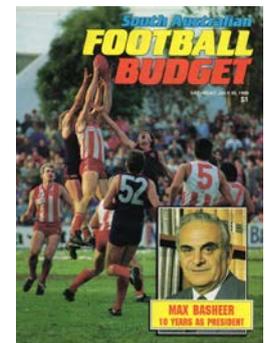
Rd 4, 1983



Rd 5, 1985



Rd 19, 1987



Rd 17, 1988

**"The Advertiser"
Monday 9 April 2007**

"There's no guarantee Josh Coulter or Luke Ivens will front for North Adelaide against West Adelaide on Sunday, angry Roosters coach Andrew Jarman said. The senior players were suspended for North - which lost by 42 points to Central District at Elizabeth - on Saturday night for over-indulging in alcohol two nights before the SANFL season opener, Jarman said. The coach described their actions as selfish and a "kick in the guts" to every North follower. Jarman's remarks came on the same day West stood down up to six unnamed league and reserves players for breaking the code of conduct with a late night and drinking alcohol after the club's season launch a week earlier... Coach Wayne Weidemann said yesterday the players had paid their penalty and they would be considered to play against North. The errant Roosters might not be so lucky after fronting North's match committee tomorrow. "When you decide to socialise on a Thursday night, to all hours, you pay a price," Jarman said. "They not only let themselves down and their family, they also let this football club and their team-mates down. A severe backlash will be coming their way. They've kicked us fair in the guts the two boys. That's why I'm proud of the young kids who got the call-up (Damian Cunningham and Josh Cubillo). They're not ready for this type of footy yet but they showed heart." Jarman said excessive alcohol consumption was becoming a problem in the SANFL. "It won't be accepted here and I know that Weed (Weidemann) is following the same line," he said. "Tuesday there will be a meeting and (Coulter and Ivens) will pay a very heavy price for what they did."

**North Adelaide Football Club
Annual Report - 1925**

"Our esteemed Life Member, Mr. Tom Leahy, gave a most interesting and instructive address on the points to be observed to "Successfully play the game of football" at one of our Thursday evening meetings. The training room was well filled by not only A and B Grade players, but also by many players from junior clubs. The remarks of Mr. Leahy were closely followed and listened to by the large audience with rapt attention. At the close of the address a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speaker. The Committee much appreciate the action of Mr. Leahy in coming along to our rooms to give the players the benefit of his long experience on the football field."

**North Adelaide Football Club
Annual Report 1980**

Ken Farmer Gates

"At our 1979 Annual General Meeting, Mr. Jack Forrester moved a motion that we undertake a scheme to commemorate the name of the great Ken Farmer. We are happy to be able to report, through the co-operation and generosity of the Corporation of the City of Prospect that new gates have been erected at the Main North Road entrance and have been named 'The Ken Farmer Gates'. The gates were officially opened on Sunday 9th November, 1980 by the Mayor of the City of Prospect, Mr. J.W. Rattley in a most pleasant ceremony which attracted quite a large number of former North Adelaide players who had played with Ken Farmer."

Round 8, 1972 - North 15.18 def Torrens 11.7

GAMES	Scored	Thru	PLAYERS	KICKS		PUNTS	MARKS	TOTS	HAND	FREE	PENALS	GOALS	POINTS	
				For	Against									
24	4		G. SPURGE	1	2	3	7	12	4	2	6	7	4	
39	9		N. SAGGIE	2	3	4	13	1	2	4	0	7	4	
59	9		E. BARNFORD	3	6	3	15	1	5	1	5	1	3	
80	8		G. HEAL (dep LAST 6)	1	8	1	6	3	3	2	1	3	3	
105	9		B. ROBBAN	2	7	5	7	21	4	10	4	10	1	
7	8		J. BEVAN	5	2	4	1	13	4	1	2	3	1	
124	6		J. ROBINSON	6	3	3	14	1	6	1	2	1	1	
9	3		M. EIGHNER	2	4	6	4	16	3	2	5	1	1	
29	9		B. STRINGER	6	3	3	5	17	3	1	5	1	1	
56	4		D. BURNS	5	3	3	14	1	2	1	4	1	1	
131	3		B. SANDERSON	7	6	5	3	30	9	2	6	1	1	
19	9		A. HOWARD	4	5	3	3	15	3	4	5	1	1	
104	9		G. PAULL	4	3	2	4	13	3	3	2	1	1	
205	8		R. HAYMOND	3	4	3	1	7	4	1	1	1	1	
40	5		K. BARR	4	4	1	3	12	1	2	1	3	1	
364	9		M. PATTERSON (OFF 2nd 1/2)	2	4	1	1	4	6	1	2	1	1	
13	3		T. KLOPPER	2	5	3	5	15	3	1	5	1	1	
104	5		T. VON BERTHOFF	5	8	1	17	1	6	2	1	1	1	
119	7		K. LEHMANN (on 2nd 1/2)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
27	2		T. MAY (on 2nd 1/2)	1	1	1	2	3	4	2	1	3	1	
6 GAMES WITH CURRENT CLUB ONLY														
TOTALS				64	65	54	59	241	31	94	29	92	15	18

UMPIRE: J. CHULFIELD ATTENDANCE: 6,267 FINAL TIME: 8:30 PM CONDITIONS: GOOD

"The News" - Tuesday 14 November 1978

"Norwood ruckman Michael Gregg was among the 44 invited North Adelaide players who last night began their 'Roosters to shine in '79' campaign. John Robinson... has returned to the club after coaching Wilsden-Grange in Queensland. Jan Hoekman has returned after a year away from football. Rodney Robran, who coached the club's under 19s into the grand final, is training with the league squad and hopes his knee injury has healed. Enthusiasm was such that Mick Redden travelled from Orroroo, Gary Gum from Booleroo Centre and Malcolm Anderson from Tintinara to attend the first session under coach Barrie Robran."

From The Newspapers Match Report Quotebook

Andrew and Darren Jarman

“A goldmine of football talent called the Jarman brothers – Darren and Andrew – yesterday stole centre stage at Football Park and steered North Adelaide into the Grand Final. They reaffirmed their millionaire status by overwhelming Glenelg in the Roosters’ convincing... triumph. North should wrap the Jarman brothers in cotton wool until their next show on October 4” – *Sunday Mail* (1986, 2nd Semi v GI)

“The ‘magician’ Andrew Jarman... exhibited his extraordinary level and range of skills, leaving opponents bewildered with the apparent ease in which he could recover the ball from the bottom of a pack, handpass it and trigger the Roosters powerful running game” – *Sunday Mail* (1987, Rd 20 v SA)

“North coach Mike Nunan, who has built a champion team of champions from local talent, could not have wished in his dreams for more inspiring players than the Jarman brothers, Andrew and Darren. Teenager Darren... is quickly closing the skill gap which exists between the two brothers who have begun a rivalry for the centremen’s role. Darren, a half-forward flanker of great versatility, also has hands which brain surgeons or concert pianists would envy. He is cool under pressure and clever in linking midfield and attack” – *The Advertiser* (1986, Rd 7 v GI)

“Looking at best players, Darren Jarman was superb with 33 telling touches. Like his brother Andrew, there is something magical about his play and he always seems to have so much time to display his wizardry” – *Sunday Mail* (1987, Rd 18 v WA)

“... the Jarmans were in such superb touch that not even their shadows were able to get close to them” – *Sunday Mail* (1989, Rd 14 v WT)

“The magic of the Jarman brothers was one of the main reasons for North’s almost complete domination... They rarely wasted a ball” – *The Advertiser* (1987, Rd 2 v SA)



“It (North) was marshalled brilliantly by centremen Andrew Jarman, whose reflexive, incisive skills tore Central to shreds. He proved again, as if it were needed, what an important influence he has become at Prospect” – *The Advertiser* (1987, Rd 10 v CD)

“Darren Jarman... was sensational as he had the ball on a string, twisted past bemused South players and delivered the ball lace-out to team mates ahead of him” – *Sunday Mail* (1989, R 13 v SA)

“North, as usual, looked at its best on Saturday when the Jarman brothers were calling the tunes in their incomparable, classy manner. This time, it was follower Darren’s turn to be more conspicuous even than centremen Andrew” – *The Advertiser* (1988, Rd 17 v GI)

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“(Andrew) Jarman had an extraordinary ability to merge into the pattern of play and become an essential part of it... Seemingly possessing analytical minds, (Tony) Antrobus and (Andrew) Jarman were as vigilant as chess masters moving their pawns as they out-thought and outmanoeuvred opponents” – *The Advertiser* (1986, Rd 4 v CD)

“... there were brilliant passages in which Darren and Andrew Jarman, Matthew Campbell and Darel Hart infected colleagues with the admirable zest they can inject into their play. At his top Darren Jarman was like a piece of clockwork fully wound up. His three running goals in the first quarter were pure magic” – *The Advertiser* (1986, Rd 11 v WT)

“Darren Jarman... His creative and two-sided brilliance was too much for the three South defenders he beat” – *South Australian Football Budget* (1990, Rd 9 v SA)

From The Newspapers Match Report Quotebook

Frederick Le Messurier (1909, Rd 13 v St)

“There was none so prominent for North Adelaide as F. Le Messurier, who has abundantly fulfilled the promise of schoolboy days. His roving combined all the elements that go to the making of an ideal footballer. Fast, pertinacious, optimistic, with a juggler’s skill in handling the ball, he capped his performance by consistently going for the ball, and never the man. There was always something worth watching when he got possession of the ball. On the forward line he also acquitted himself well” – *The Advertiser*

Tom Mackenzie (1905, Rd 8 v Nw)

“T. Mackenzie’s wonderful adroitness and cleverness nearly gained for the Norths six points, but one flag only went up” – *The Advertiser*

Michael Parsons (1983, Rd 16 v WA)

“He has had one of the most meteoric rises in football... and North Adelaide ruckman **Michael Parsons** could be forgiven for still being in a state of shock. And while the Roosters lost, the bearded Parsons caught the eye” – *The News*

Nathan Lonie (2006, Rd 1 v WWT)

“Another North debutant, late inclusion Nathan Lonie, was both prolific and effective, racking up 30 quality disposals” – *Sunday Mail*

Colin Aamodt (1940, Rd 12 v WT)

Aamodt, at centre wing was brilliant today. This young recruit improves with every game, and today he covered himself in glory, his pace and foot passing being a big factor in North’s success” – *The Mail*

Barry Potts (1958, Rd 1 v St)

“Barry Potts’ brilliant debut, not exactly a surprise after his impressive Colts League career, was the highlight of the match. Courageous, quick-witted and tireless, he capped dazzling skill in gaining possession round the packs with kicking of power out of all proportion to his size” – *The Advertiser*

John Reedman (1903, Rd 7 v Nw)

(The match was North Adelaide’s benefit game for Reedman): “It was a great tribute to the popularity of Reedman... that the game... should have attracted the largest attendance of the season... Reedman was not forgotten. At the start of the match he was accorded three cheers, and at the finish the red-and-whites supporters enthusiastically acclaimed his prowess: for ever a game was won by general-ship, victory... was obtained... by their skipper” – *The Register*

Clint Alleway (2007, Rd 18 v Nw)

“He was as wayward as he was dominant but North Adelaide spearhead Clint Alleway steered the Roosters to a finals-building 57-point win against Norwood... Alleway booted 6.5 in a sometimes sublime, sometimes surreal display of clever scouting and hit-and-miss goalkicking that could easily have been a 10-goal haul. Still, the 191cm centre half-forward’s display – built on eight marks and highlighted with a handful of remarkable pack grabs in unfavourably slippery conditions – was impressive enough to earn him best-on-ground honours” – *The Advertiser*

Tim Nunan (1995, Rd 15 v St)

“In the midfield, North remains as imposing as it was in the Nunan era – and much because of the smart thinking and quick hands of Tim Nunan...” – *The Advertiser*

Norman Claxton (1900, Rd 14 v Nw)

“At the conclusion of the match N. Claxton, of the North team, was cheered by his admirers, and was carried to the dressing rooms shoulder-high” – *The Advertiser*

Daniel Currie (2012, Rd 9 v CD)

“The future looked bleak for Central as North giant raw ruckman, dashing Daniel Currie, showcased his tap work and commitment to follow up his own work at ground level, highlighted when he took three bounces through the corridor in the final term” – *Sunday Mail*

Damon White (2009, Rd 9 v SA)

“When the Panthers lifted their game considerably in the second quarter, North coach Daniel Healy moved captain Damon White into the forward line and an out-of-sorts Gill to the backlines which turned out to be a match-winning swap. For the entire second half, White looked a threat every time North drove the ball forward, even when it was indirect and wasteful” – *The Standard*

John Buber (1960, Rd 7 v WA)

“Bubner sent North into attack time and again... and made North’s competent rovers... look brilliant. Sheppard so relished being given the ball “on a plate” that he kicked 2.1 in the third quarter” – *The Advertiser*