

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

Round 10 Edition

### *The Advertiser – Thursday 16 March 1922.*

“Practically a clean sweep of the executive officers of the North Adelaide Football Club was made at the annual meeting of the club last, night. A “ticket” was issued as The Advertiser stated some time ago would be the case after a meeting of members bent on bringing in a new order of things. All the candidates on the ticket with one exception (Mr. L. Richmond, who was nominated for the secretaryship) were returned. The defeated candidates included Mr. J. F. Bennett (Chairman of the management committee), who has been treasurer of the club for 15 years, and Mr. T. Leahy, captain of the North Adelaide team and captain of the State team. Mr. Leahy was defeated as a player’s representative on the committee by only one vote. His defeat sends colour to the rumour that he will not be chosen as captain if he should play, and that D. Crawford will probably be the captain in the coming season. Mr. Leahy was not well, and left the meeting early. It is not known what he proposes to do. Mr. Bennett said notwithstanding his defeat his interest in the club would not wane, and he hoped to see the old colours on top in the season 1922. Mr. C. F. Young was re-elected honorary secretary by a majority of nine, and Mr. Tymons, an old member of the committee was returned, but as a nominee of the section which joined the new ticket, and which has now attained control of the club’s affairs.”

### *From The Official N.A.F.C. Website - Tuesday 17 February 2015*

#### **Essendon top up players**

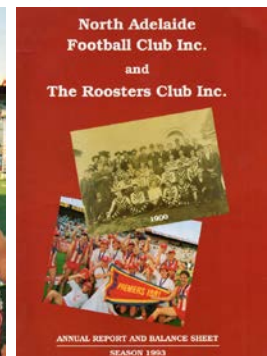
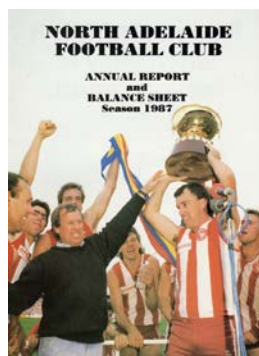
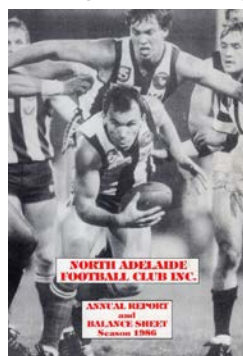
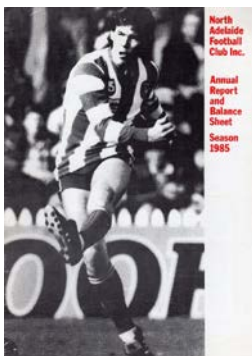
“To our members and supporters, there is a story in the Advertiser tomorrow regards the approaches by the Essendon FC to players currently on SANFL lists. This includes a player from our club, Mitch Clisby. Mitch has been contacted directly by Essendon and invited to play in the NAB Cup series. Essendon did not speak with us first, in fact, we still have not spoken to Essendon as at tonight. We have been strong in our view that we are against this whole process, and that all SANFL clubs should be protected from such an invasion. We do not support the coercion of players from their clubs where they have been part of a long summer campaign and fill vital roles just to have them taken without notice. Mitch is aware of our views and position on it and understands it. It is unfair for such a quality young lad to all of a sudden have this pressure put onto him by an AFL club, the result being he is caught between his Rooster teammates and the blood sweat and tears of the summer, and a possible AFL opportunity with all the enticements surrounding it. It is easy to see the possible attraction for him and we have told Mitch that we will not stand in his way if he chooses to go to Essendon for the NAB Cup series, even though we have made a strong stance to the SANFL against the process. Of course, if he goes, we would look forward to having him back as soon as possible, and firing up ready for our season opener.

As at tonight, regardless of what you read, Mitch has not committed to going until he speaks with Ken McGregor and considers it all. Essendon have told him the top up players must be in Melbourne on Thursday so the young fella has a whole 2 days’ notice. I wanted to confirm to our members and supporters our stance on this matter from the outset.

We will endeavor to keep you updated on this.

Greg Edward CEO”

### *North Adelaide Football Club Annual Reports Covers – A Recollection*



# **GIVE ROBRAN A HAND**



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*From The Quotebook...*  
1972

“Stand up and take a bow, Barrie Robran – I dub thee the new King of Football” – Lou Richards (1972)

*From The Newspapers Match Report Quotebook*

### Bob Hammond

“It was a ferocious start. The North defenders, showing complete indifference to health and well-being, played in the same fanatical manner as they did in staving off Carlton in last year’s championship. Kicking into the wind, North possibly won the game in this period when Hammond turned in a performance so brilliant that he MUST represent SA in Perth” - *The Advertiser (1973, Rd 7 v GI)*

“With a complete reversal of form inspired by a magnificent last quarter from Bob Hammond at centre half-forward, North Adelaide beat Glenelg... at Adelaide Oval yesterday;” “Glenelg led by 25 points at the last change. Then came Hammond. His performance was incredible. Beaten for most of the day... he unleashed a tremendous match-winning last term to kick three goals and provide the springboard for North’s win” *The Advertiser (1968, Rd 9 v GI)*

“Hammond marked cleverly and his baulking and handball in the greasy conditions continually opened up opportunities in front of goal” - *The Advertiser (1968, Rd 7 v CD)*

### Walter Jarvis (1891, Rd 12, Medindie v Adelaide)

“Jarvis, of the Medindies, played the best game of the forty, being remarkably well schooled in every department of the work, shining particularly in tactics. Although only a colt and of small stature, he bested his antagonists time after time, in the manner in which he worked the ball away from the Adelaides’ biggest men being very amusing” - *The Advertiser*

### Mark Jeffries (1994, Rd 24 v WWT)

“Mark Jeffries, who is closing on 50 league games and beginning to play with consistency and maturity, was the man who subjugated (Andrew) Rogers. His fearless, creative deeds from a forward flank repeatedly inspired North, especially in the second quarter when he booted two of the home team’s five goals. Jeffries does not rack up stats at the rate of Brenton Phillips nor Brodie Atkinson but he has class, goal sense and the necessary vision to make each possession count” - *The Advertiser*

### Grenville Dietrich (1986, Rd 6 v SA)

“... Then it happened. Grenville Dietrich went off like a bomb at full forward, blasting South and a succession of opponents – into oblivion with a nine-goal second half onslaught of powerful marking and ramrod-straight kicking. The burly reformed playboy, had North fans yelling in frenzied delight as he reared like a dinosaur to grab mark after mark against fierce opposition and piled on goals at a rate which, after six games, has him on target to rewrite SA’s goalkicking records” - *The Advertiser*

### Don Gilbourne (1960, Rd 2 v WT)

“Don Gilbourne is one of those springy, relaxed footballers a cut above the sweating multitude. A cushioned mark, soft foot work, the well-judged glide forward to take the ball and a boot that is of once velvet and steel” - *The News*

### Ralph Rogerson (1958, Rd 9 v PA)

“Rogerson was the best player afield. He has a charmed existence. The ball pursued him wherever he ventured and for four quarters he constantly drove North Adelaide forward with strong drop kicking” - *The Advertiser*

### Shannon Motlop (2007, Rd 2 v WA)

“Shannon Motlop made his return to Menzies Crescent a memorable one with a standout game full of the creativity... But of more note was his willingness to chase and tackle, often causing turnovers for the betterment of this team” - *The Advertiser*

### Brett Mancini (1992, Rd 9 v Nw)

“Young Rooster Brett (Henry) Mancini is not backward in coming forward. On the outer wing at Prospect he flew high in a pack of players to grab a spectacular mark only to see the huge fist of teammate Michael Redden intervene and punch the ball out of bounds. The rookie let it be known to the veteran what he thought” - *South Australian Football Budget*

### Darryl Wintle

“Fearless and super-talented skipper Darryl Wintle is a study in team play and discipline yet he also has the explosive powers of a match-winner. He dominated the midfield and merged with the weight of willing workers including Scott Bamford, Shannon Motlop, Jason Roe, Mark Jeffries, Chris Ladhams and Heath Younie” - *Sunday Mail (2004, Rd 20 v WWT)*

“Inspired by irrepressible skipper Darryl Wintle, North’s inexperienced outfit looked close to cracking when the Blues lurched to within five points five minutes into time-on... But it was Wintle – a problem for Sturt all day with 29 damaging touches – who stepped up with a slick handball out of a thick pack in the centre in the dying minutes then he intercepted a hurried kick to rebound to the front of the goalsquare when every possession and every second was critical. Heath Younie sealed the match with a goal... but there was no doubt the brilliance of Wintle was pivotal” - *The Advertiser (2004, Rd 21 v St)*

“North skipper Darryl Wintle was brilliant with immaculate disposal but he had little support. Crows discard Ben Hart was outstanding in the first half and moved with grace...” - *Sunday Mail (2007, Rd 1 v CD)*