





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

North Adelaide Football Club Official Website - Tuesday 13 July 2016

Indigenous Round

"As part of Indigenous Round celebrations, we will be wearing a special one-off Guernsey designed by Vice Captain Marlon Motlop. Meaning Behind the Guernsey Design - There are 9 circles (on guernsey, and also on Boomerang) which represent our 9 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander players and their respective Aboriginal country. Each circle has 3 layers of dots, representing Women, Men and Children who become connected to NAFC through the players.

Match worn guernseys will be available for purchase next week. Further information will be posted after the game on how to get your hands on a signed Indigenous Guernsey."

Round 9 2018 Edition

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Roosters drink it when they're feeling grand.

From The Official N.A. S.C. Website - Tuesday 26 June 2007

Frustrations for the Power, the Crows and the Roosters!

"North Adelaide Football Club fully understands that once a player is drafted to either the Crows or the Power, he is totally under their control. However that doesn't reduce the frustration for our Club, and probably others, in not being aware of availability or being directed as to how much game time a specific player is allowed in a given game. Our comments cannot be construed as a criticism of either AFL Club but as a means of communication to our members explaining the frustration of the situation. Overall the interchange agreement between AFL and SANFL Clubs works well, but it is never a perfect world and there will always be issues which arise from time to time.

Examples in recent times:

Players flying interstate as emergencies with some allowed to return the following day to play and some not. In a specific case it has meant that the player has turned up on match day without having trained with the Club - hardly an ideal situation.

Players being made available but only allowed to play half a game in the reserves -one would think a full time professional footballer, if declared fit, would certainly be up to SANFL league standard.

Late notice of availability, it is quite mystifying that a professional AFL Club with full time staff can only notify an SANFL Club of player availability by 5pm to 5.30pm on a Thursday prior to the game. More so when the weekend's teams are released to the media at 5.30pm anyway.

Players transferring to new Clubs during the season - Jericho (Crows) and Willets (Power)

Our Club supports both local AFL Clubs in their pursuit of success. However it must be remembered that Andrew Jarman is as keen to win a game as Neil Craig or Mark Williams. To do that, he too must be able plan, communicate and select teams to allow our Club to be successful. Take this week for instance, just when Andrew was in the midst of his weekly planning, notice has come through that Nathan Lonie is being rested by the Power and Andrew McIntyre is available - but only for a half in the reserves. It is difficult for all parties - Clubs, Coaches and Players - with communication the only solution.

The SANFL competition is better for the presence of AFL players, in our case the likes of Ben Hudson, Damon White, Daniel Motlop, Chris Ladhams (when he was at the Crows) have all contributed to our recent success. Likewise it must be pointed out that many currently listed AFL players have improved or found confidence due to their involvement at North Adelaide - Ben Hudson, Ian Perrie, Stephen Gilham, Damon White, Jason Roe, Matty Campbell, Shane Edwards and Nick Gill. This is clear evidence that the Interchange Agreement between the Crows, Power and SANFL is a better model than any other on the national scene.

We acknowledge that the Crows and the Power just want to win - so do we!"



Nostalgia



"The Advertiser" — Thursday 25 —June 1936

North Adelaide Footballer Acquitted

"Reported by three umpires as the result of an incident which occurred during the League football match between North Adelaide and Port Adelaide at the Adelaide Oval on Saturday, A. Oatway (North Adelaide) was acquitted by the League Commissioners (Mr. President Kelly, Messrs. L.V. Pellew and T. Leahy) last night. Oatway was charged, on the reports of Field Umpire G.R. Allen and Boundary Umpires L.J. Margitich and E.C. Gyss, with having intentionally rabbitted an opponent in the second quarter of the game.

"The circumstances described were that O'Donnell, a North Adelaide player, had possession of the ball and was being shepherded by Oatway when Bampton (Port Adelaide) gave chase. Observing Bampton's approach, Oatway placed himself in his course and adopted a stooping attitude which caused Bampton to fall over him. In the opinion of the umpire the stooping was below Bampton's hips and therefore amounted to rabbiting. Bampton fell spectacularly and was awarded a free.

"The commissioners said that rabbiting was for one player to stoop down so as to cause another to fall by placing his body below the other's hips. They found that at the moment of impact Bampton struck Oatway from the rear; that Oatway was at the moment braced and slightly crouched - a natural attitude for a shepherding player to adopt; and that the impact from the rear forced Oatway to stoop further. The height from which Bampton fell and the fact that, although struck by him from the rear, Oatway did not lose his balance, supported the view that at the moment of impact he was not stooping as low as the umpires suggested.

"The commissioners said that occurrence, though apparently suggestive of rabbiting, could be reasonably explained in the manner suggested and they were not that had prepared to sav Oatway intentionally placed his body below Bampton's hips. They therefore dismissed the charge."

"South Australian Lootball Budget" – Saturday 11 July 1979

Memorable Year For Stringer

"This year has been a memorable one for Wayne Stringer.

Last week he, elder brother Barry and younger brother Alan played together in a league game for the first time. On May 23 he captained North Adelaide against Port Adelaide at Alberton Oval when the Roosters pulled off a brilliant win.

And today he will play his 100th game for North Adelaide against Sturt at Unley Oval.

Born in Snowtown and growing up in Redhill the signs were always there that Wayne would develop into a league footballer and before joining North he became the third member of his family, after his father and Barry to win a Mail Medal. That was in 1974 in the Broughton League and the following year he made his league debut with North Adelaide.

Unfortunately Wayne had several severe injuries in his

Personality Profile

FULL NAME: Wayne Ian Stringer.

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BIRTHPLACE: July 23, 1955.

HEIGHT: 80kg (12.7).

POSITION PLAYED: Half-back-flank.

LEAGUE GAMES: 100.

OCCUPATION: Sports store proprietor.

MARITAL STATUS: Married to Denise.

CAR: Sunbird.

OTHER INTERESTS: Cricket, social tennis and squash. I also have a shade house with ferns and paims.

FAVORITE FOOD: Seafood, steak.

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FAVORITE DRINK: Coke.

TV SHOWS: Documentaries, The Winners.

MUSICIANS: Neil Diamond, Eagles.

SPORTSMAN I MOST ADMIRE: Muhammed Ali.

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON FOOTBALL

CAREER: My father.

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENTS: They're all hard.

BEST PLAYER SEEN: Barrie Robran by a long way.

BEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: First league game, elimination final 1975.

BEST PLACE VISITED: Perth.

STATE REPRESENTATION: State schoolboys 1972.

AMBITIONS: To play in finals, a premiership side and to enjoy life.



first three seasons – a knee, ligament damage in an ankle and a dislocated shoulder which restricted his appearances.

At the time he was also travelling to Adelaide twice a week to play and train, a journey of 700 kilometres which became rather tiring. Fortunately a transfer in employment in 1977 by the bank he worked for alleviated the problem and he has lived in the city ever since.

Although he has played in the centre most of Wayne's football has been on a half-back flank.

Wayne, who married three and a half years ago, joined Rodney Robran in a business partnership and operates Be A Sport in the Gallerie, Gawler Place."







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From The Quotebook

"Today will separate the men from the boys, and in my book you are all men" – North coach Jack McCarthy told the team before the match at Prospect Oval prior to North's **Round 15** game against Norwood in **1961**

'You played premiership football and now we can go right on with it" – after North's 26-point win in **Round 15** against Norwood in **1961**

"News" - Monday 3 March 1947

Bunton Appointed As North Coach

"Haydn Bunton, triple Brownlow and Sandover medallist, has been appointed coach for North Adelaide league football club for 1947.

The announcement was made today by North secretary (Mr. Percy Furler) who said the selection was made by the management committee. There had been several nominees for the position.

North officials consider themselves fortunate to obtain the services of Bunton who is perhaps the best known of all Australian rules footballers. He won three Brownlow Medals in Victoria and the Sandover Medal in Western Australia. These are equivalent to the Magarey Medal in South Australia.

His style of play should suit North who are expected to improve considerably under his care. North were not a happy combination last year.

Jack Smith, who coached North in 1945 and 1946, resigned before the annual meeting. He had been appointed for a three-year term.

This will be Bunton's first coaching position since he was captain-coach of Subiaco, in Perth league football, before the war. On his discharge from the Army Bunton played with Port in 1945. He was in the first ruck with Bob McLean and Bob Quinn.

Last year he was appointed a league umpire, and quickly established himself as one the most competent here.



John Roberts after his 100th goal

"South Australian Football Budget" — Saturday 31 July 1982

Relaying Queen's Message

"North Adelaide players Wayne Stringer and David Tiller will relay the Queen's message as part of a run from Perth to Brisbane for the opening of the Commonwealth Games.

The run, which is the equivalent of the Olympic torch carrying ceremony, will see Stringer transfer the message through the City of Prospect on Thursday afternoon on the way to the Adelaide Town Hall and Tiller carry the tidings back through the Prospect City Council District on Saturday morning.

Stringer and Tiller are the only South Australian league footballers involved in the run."



From The Larmer Liles (Round 17, 7 September 1935)

BRILLIANT DRAW AT UNLEY

Farmer In Best Form Of Career

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North	5.4	11.8	13.9	18.11	119
Sturt	3.7	9.9	15.15	17.17	119

North Best: Warhurst, Farmer, S. Burton,

Batt, Fleet, Hemers, Bottroff

North Scorers: Farmer 13.2, Hemers 2.1, S. Burton 1.2, Warhurst 1.0, Martin 1.0, McInnes 0.2, Oatway 0.2, Hayden 0.1, rushed 0.1

Ground: Unley Oval

Crowd: 5,250 The Team:

F: F. Mesecke, K. Farmer, D. Warhurst
HF: D. Hayden, O. Martin, L.F. Knuckey
C: K. Burns, A. Oatway, H.R.D. Batt
HB: T. Rush, A.A. Bottroff, H. Macklin-

Shaw

B: J. Carvosso, H. Fleet, A. Strauss **1st R:** S. Burton, D. McInnes, L. Hemers

Res: A. Burton

BRILLIANT high marking and fast, clever ground play, with phenomenal goalkicking by Farmer, will make the drawn game between Sturt and North at Unley Oval today live in the memory of football enthusiasts for many years.

North finished their season in a way that indicates that they are unfortunate to be out of the finals. They fought back in fine style at two stages when apparently Sturt had the game well in hand.

"The Advertiser" — Monday 9 September 1935

Farmer In Best Form Of Career

"In a match which fittingly ended in a draw – the first of the season – North Adelaide and Sturt, at the Unley Oval, provided football equal in standard to any this year. The brilliance of individual efforts, notably Farmer's wonderful goalkicking, was rivalled by the intelligent system and positon play of Sturt, and the manner in which one side and then the other would strike a definite supremacy.

"Farmer required 12 goals to beat his 1931 State record of 126 goals - it was then an Australian record, but has since been beaten by G. Doig, the Western Australian, whose tally last year was 152 and for most of the match, particularly in the third quarter, when Sturt went away to a long lead, and appeared to have the game won, chief interest centred in his attempt to get the required number of goals. He succeeded with one to spare, and when he kicked the record-breaking goal in the last quarter, all the players of both sides in the vicinity rushed to congratulate him. That goal put his team - it had made a remarkable recovery from three goals behind at the end of the third quarter - only seven points behind, and with only two or three minutes left for play, North continued to attack. Farmer, still marking in irresistible fashion, kicked a behind, and then his 13th goal, making the scores level.

"The bell rang before either side could add to their tallies, and Farmer was carried shoulder-high from the ground."

Farmer later said that this match was one of his most memorable matches in his career.

