

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

Round 4 2018 Edition

"South Australian Football Budget" – Saturday 14 August 1982

Big Year For Riley

"This year has been a big season in the football life of North Adelaide's John Riley. Named captain of the Roosters in succession to Rodney Robran, John also gained South Australian selection for the first time and today plays his 100th league game in the match against Sturt at the Unley Oval. On becoming skipper John says "I guess I happened to be in the right place at the right time," but he was honoured to assume



leadership. Being picked for the State was a bonus too and the versatile centreman/ defender was cool and resolute in his three games while his approach on the ball could not be faulted. "I look to go into a pack and get the ball out," John says "receiving is

not my game." Full training this year has also paid dividends; "For the past couple of seasons I was only able to train about once a fortnight because of studies (John is halfway through a doctoral degree in atomic physics) but this year I did complete pre-season work and have been playing squash mid-week in addition to normal training."

Twenty-four years old, John began his early football with Broadview Football Club juniors and followed Norwood as a youngster. "I guess I idolized Phil

Carman at that stage although Barrie Robran was always very impressive," Today as a league footballer John says he enjoys the challenge of trying to play well, concentrating hard and beating his opponent. He has no difficulty motivating himself for games."

Personality Profile

FULL NAME: John Leslie Riley.
BIRTHDATE: April 23, 1958.
HEIGHT: 185cm (6'1").
WEIGHT: 81 kg (12.10).
POSITION PLAYED: Utility.
LEAGUE GAMES: 100.
OCCUPATION: Student (Ph.D in atomic physics).
MARITAL STATUS: Single, girlfriend Julie.
CAR: Sunbird.
OTHER INTERESTS: Squash, tennis, ten pin bowling, listening to music — classical to rock.
LIKES: Being with friends.
FAVORITE FOOD: Steak.
FAVORITE DRINK: Raspberry and Coke.
FAVORITE TV SHOW: MASH.
FAVORITE MUSICIANS: Eagles.
SPORTSMAN MOST ADMIRED: Bjorn Borg.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON FOOTBALL CAREER: My father. Mike Nunan. Mike is a deep thinker and very persuasive.
BEST FOOTBALLER SEEN: Barrie Robran.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Russell Ebert.
STATE REPRESENTATION: SA team 1982.
AMBITIONS: To play in a successful side at North Adelaide. Away from football to be successful and lead a happy life.

"Daily Herald" - Friday 3 September 1920

"Kinnear is one of North's best finds for many years, and with Davies had come to be recognized as indispensable to the team. The Broken Hill boy is immensely popular with clubmates and supporters but is quiet and unassuming, just the sort to keep a level head when success comes his way. His steady living will enable him to keep going when many other players of his age are looking on. He is only in the early twenties, and this, with his splendid constitution and good living, ought to make for an early and complete recovery. Tom Leahy heard the bones break and warned Kinnear and those around him of the danger of moving. Kinnear's leg was put in splints on the ground, and in 10 minutes after the accident he was in hospital. A benefit is being organised by his club, and tickets will be on sale during the finals."



North Adelaide Football Club Annual Report – 1987

Under the North Adelaide Junior Football Association it was reported that Ben and Nick Holland, both from Walkerville, who won the Harold Woolford Medal (Under 10), and the Don Lindner Medal (Under 13) respectively, created history by being the first brothers to win medals in the same year. Adam Griffiths, from Ingle Farm, won the Under 11 Al Paterson Medal. All went on to play League football for North Adelaide, with the Holland brothers advancing to the AFL competition.



"SANFL News" – Wednesday 13 April 2016

North Sign Eagles Midfielder

"Newly-signed North Adelaide midfielder Tom Schwarz could confront his former club on Sunday after deciding to leave Woodville-West Torrens. Schwarz is likely to line up for the Roosters at Maughan Thiem Hyundai Oval, where he played 27 IGA League matches for the Eagles since making his debut in 2013. The 22-year-old cited a lack of opportunity in the centre square as his chief reason for departing Oval Avenue despite performing strongly in last year's finals series. Speaking on SANFL Radio, North football manager Darryl Wintle said the club was delighted to gain Schwarz's signature given he measures in at a sizeable 185cm and 80kg. North coach Josh Carr is eager to form a midfield with a hard edge, with Schwarz's penchant for tackling also a factor in the Roosters' pursuing his services. Schwarz burst onto the IGA League scene last year, playing a career high 16 matches including the Second Semi-Final and Grand Final. He is yet to play a SANFL match in 2016, lining up with Amateur League club Flinders Park last Saturday to gain match fitness. The son of Eagles premiership captain and current chief executive Peter Schwarz, Schwarz's elder brother Nic is currently on the senior list at South Adelaide."

"Inside Football" – Saturday 20 May 1972

Killer Roosters

"North showed the real killer instinct against South by going on with the job in the last quarter.

When they were 23 goals ahead at the last change they could have been excused for coasting over the last quarter.

Instead, they plunged the knife more deeply into South by kicking 10 goals out of 11 shots, and skipper Mike Patterson kicked three of them.

The North sequence of goals in the final term was Patterson, Hearl, Patterson, von Bertouch, Collins, Hearl, Bamford, Robran, Hearl, Patterson.

It only needed full-back Bob Hammond to bag one and it would have completed the South debacle.

And don't worry, it was nearly on. Hammond came out for a run late in the term, and was desperate to kick a goal.

He almost had the chance, but the ball got away from him."

NESTLE'S CONTEST 8 *Caption the action*

1970



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Nestle's Contest No. 8 closes first mail Monday, May 18, 1970. Prizewinners published May 26, 1970.

Debut Flashbacks (players photos from their league debut year)

2009



Ben Williams



Tony Armstrong



Nathan Brown



Phil Davis

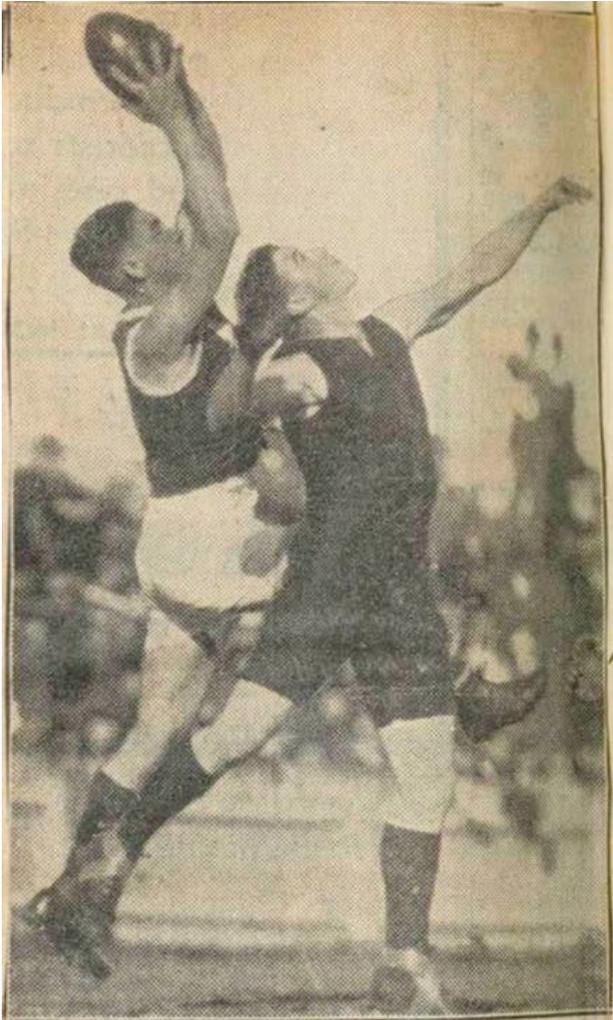


Rory Sloane



Jesse O'Brien

From The Farmer Files (Round 10, 1 July 1933)



ONE OF MANY brilliant marks taken by the North goalsneak, Farmer, in the match with Norwood on Saturday. From the kick after this incident Farmer scored

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Tot
North	4.2	7.9	9.12	13.17	95
Norwood	4.4	6.8	8.13	11.14	80

North Best : MacKay, Taylor, Farmer, McInnes, Walter, Hawke

North Goalkickers : Farmer 8, B. Burns 1, Hemers 1, Foulis 1, McInnes 1, McNamara 1

Ground : Prospect Oval

Crowd : 7,816

The Team :

F : D. McInnes, K. Farmer, G. Foulis

HF : B. Burns, R. Walter, T.P. McNamara

C : N. Drew, H. Hawke, W.J. MacKay

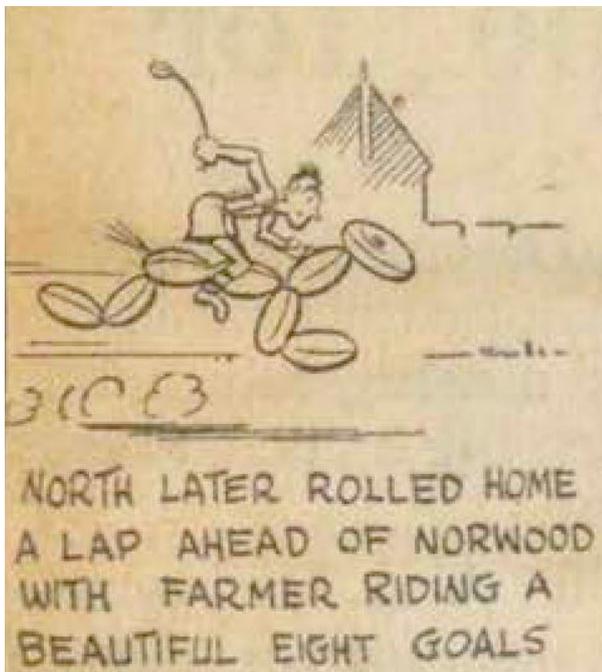
HB : C.R. Taylor, S. Burton, H. Mangelsdorf

B : R. Melvin, H. Fleet, C.R. Barrett

1st R : P. Furler, G. Goldfinch, L. Hemers

Res : F. Hardwick

Comments: Farmer's 450th goal and 50th goal for the season; "Farmer's 8 goals was a big factor in the North defeat of Norwood... apart from his and MacKay's efforts North showing was only mediocre. Norwood did not impress either. The best man on the field was MacKay, who gave a dashing and forceful display at centre wing" – *The Mail*.



KEN FARMER, North forward, was in form again today, and increased his goal tally by eight at the expense of Norwood. In this incident he outwitted Curryer, the Norwood full-back, before marking and kicking a goal.

From The Newspapers Match Report Quotebook

Peter Cloke (right) (1975, Rd 14 v Nw)

“The Roosters only ray of sunshine came from Peter Cloke, who worked overtime to keep Norwood out. Cloke is a great worker for his team. His strong, dependable marking make him a pleasure to watch” – *Sunday Mail*



Peter Cloke (again) (1978, Rd 8 v SA)

“North, after looking beaten several times, finally put it all together to knock South off Adelaide Oval. And the man mainly responsible for the Roosters victory was Peter Cloke. He dominated the centre half-forward position with 17 marks and 17 kicks... Some of his marking had to be seen to be believed and coach Barrie Robran was full of praise after the game” – *Sunday Mail*

Ken Farmer (1932, Rd 2 v Gl)

“Farmer revealed an unsuspected ability to outpace even the fastest of his opponents, and on his two matches this year alone must be regarded as the complete forward. His sensational marking, always against three or more spoilers, entitled him to be classed as the best man on the side. He kicked nine goals, four behinds and once out of bounds” – *The Advertiser*

Don Gilbourne (1957, Rd 7 v St)

“Don Gilbourne’s performance against Sturt was one of the best defending games seen at Prospect in a long time. At one stage he broke five successive Sturt attacks” – *The News*

Glyn Trescowthick (1912, Rd 12 v WT)

After two collisions “Trescowthick... suffered similarly again. He stayed on the ground, however, until the finish, and then had to be taken to a doctor in a cab” – *The Advertiser*

John Riley (1912, Rd 3 v Gl)

“You never have any qualms when you give John a particular assignment. It is always done to perfection. He is an outstanding footballer” – coach Barrie Robran

1968

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Don Lindner

“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, R5 v WA)*

“But there were other influences responsible for North’s impressive win – pace... strength in defence and attack and Don Lindner’s grand all-purpose display at centre half-forward, ruck and defence. Lindner’s football provided the blueprint – glorious high marking and direct long kicking” – *The Advertiser (1967, Rd 6 v Nw)*

“Lindner showed great skill with the wet ball, not only in marking and kicking but in feeding those around him, thereby making scoring much easier for North than it was for the harassed Glenelg” – *The Advertiser (1968, Rd 17 v Gl)*

“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)*