

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

Round 8 2018 Edition

1980'S FEATURE

"South Australian Football Budget" – Saturday 20 August 1983

Calm On The Bench

"There were only seconds remaining after a tense final quarter but the North Adelaide bench seemed surprisingly calm.

Pictured in the photo below are North captain John Riley, chairman of selectors Ray Trenorden, coach Mike Nunan, runner Ron Said and sprigger Ian Oswald.



Getting The Message Across

"Most league clubs use their wind-breaks to advertise their sponsors name but North Adelaide are using theirs to advertise that they haven't got one.

Perhaps after their fine finishing burst against South Adelaide some companies will come to the aid of the club. North (fifth) and West (top) are the only sides without official club sponsors."



"South Australian Football Budget" – Saturday 24 May 1980

Clisby Breaks Through

"North Adelaide back pocket Trevor Clisby is appreciating his introduction to league football. "It's the best thing there is," says Trevor who has come up through North Adelaide's ranks after an outstanding junior career in which he captained the High Schools against the Independent Schools and was named in the All-Australian team following the 1978 Teal Cup.

Last year Trevor won North's Best and Fairest trophy in the Reserves at centre half-back but as Peter Cloke is playing well in that position in the league he is willing to wait his turn.

"Playing in the back pocket enables one to see more of the play and is a simpler way of breaking into league football than being thrust into a key position."

Player Profile

FULL NAME: Trevor Ian Clisby.
BIRTHPLACE: Mt. Gambier.
BIRTHDATE: March 8, 1961.
STARSIGN: Pisces.
HEIGHT: 6'3".
WEIGHT: 14.0.
LEAGUE GAMES: 9.
POSITION PLAYED: Back Pocket.
OCCUPATION: Bank teller, CBA Norwood.
MARITAL STATUS: Single and enjoying it.
CAR: Chrysler Lancer Hatchback.
OTHER INTERESTS: Socialising.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Weiner Schnitzel.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Coke.
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Hogans Heroes.
FAVOURITE MUSICIANS: The Angels, Cold Chisel.
FAVOURITE ANIMAL: Family dog J.J.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON FOOTBALL CAREER: My family. Dad is a trainer with North and Mum brings my Grandparents along to watch me play.
BEST PLACE VISITED: Pine Point — no one lives there, it at the top of Yorke Peninsula and a good place to get drunk in the off season. Perth.
AMBITIONS: To consolidate my place in the North Adelaide side and then begin thinking about state football; to be happy and have a secure job.

Trevor has only played nine league games but already has had a couple of big moments.

"My first game against Norwood in the Escort Cup was something to remember because we won by two points and I broke my nose. Beating Torrens a fortnight ago was a big thrill and I also had to stand my best mate, Bruce Lindsay."

Away from football Trevor and Bruce (both single) enjoy a great social life comprising plenty of parties, shows and discos. "I'm loving every minute of life," Trevor added, "besides there are a couple of nice ladies around."



"South Australian Football Budget" – Saturday 25 August 1980

Algate Plays In Sandshoes

"North Adelaide utility player Doug Algate is a football rarity; he plays in sandshoes rather than boots, arguing that on hard grounds they are more comfortable and on some ovals enable him to get a better grip on the turf.

"I know Barrie (Robran) doesn't like them but when I am playing well no-one complains. They were the cause of an amusing incident earlier in the year, however, at Football Park.

"The weather was fine at the beginning of the day but after half-time rain fell and I was slipping and sliding all over the place. Barrie took me off and asked me where my boots were and I replied that they were in my car.

"I wasn't able to make the sprigger understand where it was parked so the next thing a few spectators were treated to the strange sight of a player in a gown heading for the boot of his vehicle while that game was in progress."

Shoes notwithstanding this year has been Doug's best season in league football. Playing as a ruck-rover he has relished the freedom of being able to roam all over the ground and has been a prolific kick-winner for the Roosters.

His success is admirable too because he has been unable to train with the club owing to his employment in Whyalla. A physical education teacher at Whyalla High School, he gained permanent status this year after a six months contract at Nuriootpa in 1979.

"I play 'A' pennant squash in Whyalla and train very hard for it. On Tuesdays and Thursdays I train with Central Whyalla under former Norwood player John Inglis and find that I get a lot of touches. This helps me maintain my enthusiasm."

Today is his 50th league game.



Player Profile

FULL NAME: Douglas Algate.
 NICKNAME: Algy (at Whyalla).
 BIRTHDATE: October 28, 1956.
 HEIGHT: 6'0".
 WEIGHT: 11.10.
 POSITIONS PLAYED: Ruck-rover, wing, half-forward.
 LEAGUE GAMES: 49.
 MARITAL STATUS: Married to Raelene.
 CAR: Ford Escort.
 OTHER INTERESTS: Squash (A pennant at Whyalla), tennis, basketball — all competitive.
 FAVORITE FOOD: Swiss chicken.
 FAVORITE DRINK: Jim Beam and coke, beer.
 FAVORITE ACTOR: Paul Newman.
 FAVORITE ACTRESS: Olivia Newton-John.
 FAVORITE MUSICIANS: Village People.
 FAVORITE ANIMALS: There are a few at school.
 PERSON I MOST ADMIRE: Barrie Robran.
 BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON FOOTBALL CAREER: Morrie Francou when I was in the Thirds and Barrie Robran.
 INTERSTATE REPRESENTATION: SA Amateurs 1977.
 BEST PLACE VISITED: New Zealand.
 AMBITIONS: To play league as long as possible; to become a fitness director with a league club; to become a headmaster.

"South Australian Football Budget" – Saturday 21 April 1984

"Where is Mike Parsons Now?"

Remember that lengthily lad who suddenly appeared in the Roosters ruck towards the end of last year – and has just as suddenly disappeared.

To refresh your memory, that man was Michael 'Bristles' Parsons, a physical education student at Underdale College.

"The basketball season had just finished a week before and a few amateur teams had asked me to play for them," he explained.

"I was up at the College bar one night and Mick Nunan overheard me talking about it. The next day he convinced me to come out and train with the Roosters. I knew nothing about SA football and when I was included in the league team about a week later, I didn't even know what colors (sic.) West Adelaide were. "Three weeks later I discovered that North were the Rooster."

At the moment, Parsons is only in training. One night a week he trans with North and each morning for the West Adelaide Bear Cats. Over Easter he will be continually training in Canberra with the Aust. Basketball Squad for the Olympics.



"South Australian Football Budget" – Saturday 17 April 1983

Back To Basics

It was a case of back to basics for the North Adelaide league team after their third quarter on Saturday when they were outplayed by Central District who scored 6.4 to 1.6 for the term.

Coach Mike Nunan assembled his players (see photo) and supervised handball drills, but it had little effects as the Roosters were outscored 7.7 to 3.2 in the final quarter.



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FLASHBACK



WHILE BACK IN THE OFFICE...WORK TO DO

THE ROCKETEES ARE READY TO DANCE



Pictured are:
Tracey Coppins,
Elaine Condon and
Vicki Hasse



From The Farmer Files (Round 15, 13 August 1938)

Norwood Beaten By Pace And Accuracy

By ROVER

In a match that was remarkable for its speed and vigor, public demonstrations against the umpire, and K. Farmer's feat in reaching 100 goals for the ninth successive season, North Adelaide kept alive its hopes of gaining a place in the semi-finals by defeating Norwood by 11 points at Norwood Oval. Inaccuracy contributed considerably towards Norwood's defeat, but, had the home team won, North Adelaide would have been entitled, on its general play, to consider itself unlucky.

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Tot
North	3.3	8.10	10.10	14.12	96
Norwood	4.4	5.8	8.11	11.19	85

North Best : Rix, J. Pash, Farmer, Bennetts, West, Shepherdson, Carvosso, Farrant, Oatway

North Scorers : Farmer 8.3, Rix 5.1, Farrant 1.1, McInnes 0.2, Bottroff 0.2, Carvosso 0.1, Oatway 0.1, rushed 0.1

Ground : Norwood Oval

Crowd : 8,064

The Team :

F : H.R. Farrant, K. Farmer, A.A. Bottroff

HF : A. Burton, M. McInnes, F. Alexander

C : C. Shepherdson, J. Pash, D. West

HB : A.G. Power, O. Martin, J. Carvosso

B : S. Burton, G. Hogan, K. Bowden

1st R : L. Bennetts, A. Oatway, C. Rix

Res : R. Dyson

HUNDRETH GOAL

Farmer's hundredth goal followed soon after from a splendid piece of football. Rix handballing to A. Burton, whose beautiful foot pass Farmer accepted.

He made no mistake, and it was the signal for a great burst of cheering, the North leader being congratulated by opponent and team-mate alike.

This goal, with only two minutes of play left, settled Norwood's chances, and North won comfortably, if not easily, by 11 points.

Comments :

"Pash... in his first year of League Football, is one of the outstanding players of the year. His clever marking and amazingly elusive ground play were features of the match," "Field umpire E.J. Hine was loudly barracked for a decision on an incident in the 3rd quarter... It was the worst exhibition of organised expression of disapproval seen in League Football for many years" - from *The Advertiser*

