

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

Round 15 2018 Edition

*"Adelaide Now" MMC Rd 19 – Monday 6 August 2012*

"North Adelaide is charging towards a finals series just three weeks after looking like the worst side in the competition.

How the hell did that happen? How did Josh Francou change from a coach who was lamenting his club's lack of depth and overall quality to a man heading towards September with a head of steam?

On the surface North's team hasn't changed a lot since what appeared to be a crushing loss to Port by 45 points in round 16.

James Allan, George Thring, Kriston Thompson, Michael Handby, Zak Makins and Jake Liston have been replaced by James Bennett, Michael Clinch, James Craig, Aleks Kangur, Eljay Connors and Nick Amato in the 21 that played against Glenelg on Saturday.

If you had to choose between those two groups of six, you'd probably take the first lot right? But in reality it's not these changes that have been the catalyst for the resurgence.

North's turnaround has more to do with two other groups of players.

The first is Todd Miles, Jake Keller, Greg Gallman, Daniel Currie, Will Dalwood and Jay Shannon. This group all played against the Magpies, but crucially it was their first game back in North's side for a long time (and in Dalwood and Shannon's case the first time ever). Since finding their feet at league level again they've been outstanding.

Miles, Keller, Gallman and Dalwood are part of a back six which has held West and Glenelg to scores of 57 and 52 points respectively in the past fortnight. Suddenly one of the league's leakiest backlines is a force.

Currie gives North a quality option in ruck while Shannon has added midfield depth. The other group includes Max Thring, Mitch Clisby, Nathan Blee, Clint Alleway and Cohen Thiele. These players are enjoying a purple patch of form at the moment.

Alleway had kicked 13 goals in his first 10 games this season. He's kicked nine in the past three. Thiele has thrived after being thrown into the midfield to cover Allan and Blee has finally shown the form that prompted Port Adelaide to pluck from the WAFL and has proved he is more than just a defensive stopper. And don't get Francou started on Thring and Clisby. "After the game we sat up in the coaches box and talked about the transformation of our side in the last three weeks and Max Thring has been a big part of that," North coach Josh Francou said.

"And I've been a massive wrap for Mitch Clisby since day one. I like him across half back but he played wing, forward and on ball (against Glenelg) and ended up with 29 touches. He's had a terrific year."

When you add the improved performance of these players to the continued high standard showings by Lewis Johnston, Luke Ivens, James Bennett and Leigh Ryswyk, it's clear why North is a finals threat. There's no other team heading towards the finals with the knowledge they can beat Norwood."



Todd Miles



Jay Shannon



Greg Gallman



Will Dalwood



Daniel Currie

**"The Advertiser" – Tuesday 18 May 1971**

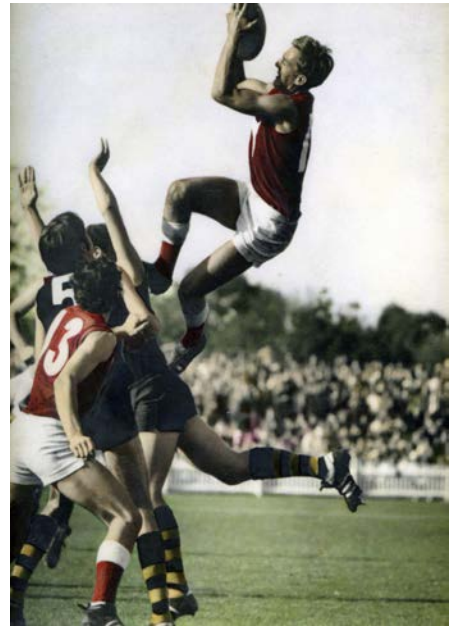
*(Down 43 points at the 10 minute mark of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, North went on to kick 13.7 to 4.2)*

"The Roosters had trailed the Tigers at each change... but then staged an almost unbelievable comeback in the last term to score 9.3 to Glenelg's 3.1 and win by 16 points. North's revival shattered any lingering thoughts among the crowd of 20,570, that it might be brittle and could not win the tough ones."

"North's last quarter was so high class the players should have been wearing dinner suits."

In the first half North was outplayed by Glenelg... And it was Barrie Robran, once again, that spearheaded North's recovery... Robran gradually found the runoff the ball to explode into action in that last quarter. He ranged right through the North forward lines, shredding the Glenelg defence and setting up match winning chances for team mates. The whole North Adelaide team lifted."

**Robran taking the Mark of the Year against Glenelg during the game**



**"The Advertiser" – Wednesday 1 April 1942**

**No Medals**

"Six league footballers who've been granted players' life membership of the league will have to wait for their medals. There's a ban on jewellery being made here – and that includes these medals.

Players are granted life membership when they've played for 10 years, and have appeared in at least 100 league games. The medal entitles them to admission to league matches for life.

The six new life members have an aggregate record of 970 games. Ken Farmer (North Adelaide) leads the list with 224 games. He holds the Australian aggregate goalkicking record.

Alan Reval (Port Adelaide) has played in 159 games; Bill McCallum (Norwood, 152; Max Murdy (South Adelaide), 149; Jack Bennett (West Adelaide), 144; and Basil Bampton (Port Adelaide), 142.

All of them, except Bennett, have played in first-class interstate matches."

1928

**Who is the best Dancer playing League Football?**

**NORTH ADELAIDE FOOTBALL CLUB  
SOCIAL AND DANCE  
Palais Royal, Monday, Aug. 6, 1928**

The following Players will compete :—  
Townley, R.; Hawke, B.; Conrad, D.; Moyle, W.; McDowall, J.; Thomas, W.; Dillway, R.; Ween, R.; Drew, N.; Morris, E.; Munn, R.; Taylor, C.; Foulis, G.; Higgins, C.; Ramsay, J.; Piltzner, H.; Melnis, D.; Tucker, F.; Hawke, H.; Daniels, R.

**Come along, you North supporters  
and help your players to win a Championship Cup.**

**"South Australian Chronicle" –  
Saturday 3 September 1892**

"The name of Medindie means nothing, whereas the name of North Adelaide possesses an individuality," said a strong and influential supporter of the Dingoes recently to me. The remark was very true. Although treated as insignificant compared with other clubs by the public the red-and-whites command a large following of supporters, and as soon as they alter their name to the North Adelaides they will gain not only a better footing in the football world but a larger measure of support. The fair sex are particularly partial to the colors (sic), and no better illustration of this could be afforded than the preponderance of ladies at the ball held in the Albert Hall on Wednesday evening. The hall was crowded, and Charley Nitschke, who looked gallant in the costume of Romeo, made an efficient M.C."

1981

## Celebration Time (Part 1)



Champions of Australia Victory (1972), C. Ladhams, N. Gill (Rd 2, 2005), K. Klomp, S. Sims (GF, 1987)



Grenville Dietrich 100 goals (EF, 1983), A. McAdam, M. Dittmar (R7, 1991). A. Barns, M. Harvey, M. McMahon (Rd 2, 2016)



D. White, R. Archard (R6, 2008), Fosters Cup win vs Collingwood (1986), Barrie Robran's 1<sup>st</sup> game (Rd 1, 1967)



J. Anderson, T. Langford (PF, 2013), D. Smart, D. Hart (1989), Team celebrates a finals win (1<sup>st</sup> SF, 2012)

From The Farmer Files (Round 1, 20 April 1940)

## FARMER KICKS 9.6 OF NORTH ADELAIDE'S 9.10

Conducted By ROVER

EXCITING finishes marked three of the four League football matches in the opening series on Saturday.

The outstanding individual feat of the day was Farmer's dominance of the North Adelaide forward lines. He had kicked all of his team's score of 6.3 at half-time, and finished with 9.6 of his team's total of 9.10. L. Taylor, of West Adelaide, kicked eight goals.

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	Tot
North	3.3	6.3	8.9	9.10	64
Glenelg	2.4	5.6	6.11	12.15	87

**North Best :** Farmer, Pash, Telfer, Pearce, Oatway, Casey, Hoskins

**North Scorers :** Farmer 9.6, Hoskins 0.2, Pearce 0.1, Pash 0.1

**Ground :** Prospect Oval

**Crowd :** 4,521

### The Team :

**F :** F. Pearce, K. Farmer, D. Warhurst

**HF :** G. Hogan, R. Hoskins, L.A. Telfer

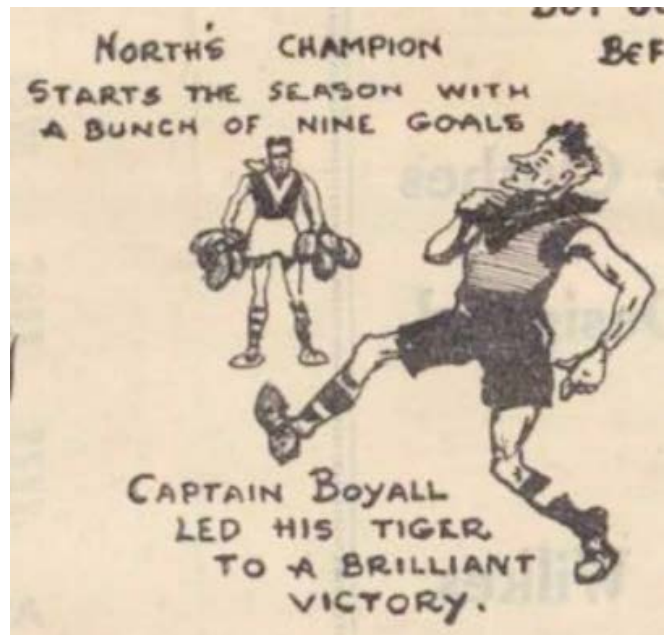
**C :** B.E.N. Wallish, J. Pash, C. Aamodt

**HB :** J. Hogan, L. Gregory, T. Casey

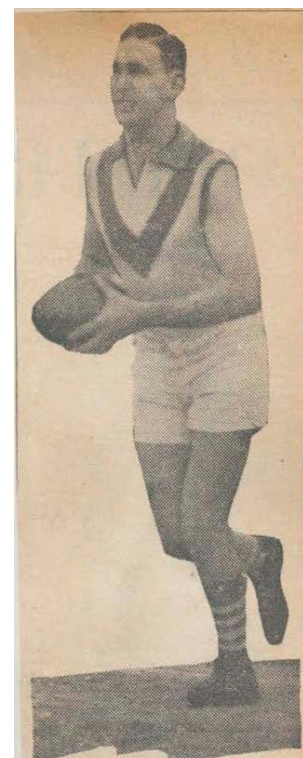
**B :** K. Bowden, K. West, O. Martin

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

**Res :** L. Melvin



PROSPECT OVAL			
		Field Umpire: G. H. BICE.	
Boundary Umpires:		Goal Umpires:	
T. H. Head and L. K. Buttery.		E. E. Fisher and A. J. Stok	
NORTH ADELAIDE		GLENELG	
(Red and White)	Goals Kicked	(Yellow and Black)	Goals Kicked
1—WEST, K. (Capt.)	.....	1—BOYALL, Marcus (Capt.)	.....
2—OATWAY, A. (Vice-Capt.)	.....	2—GOODWIN, R. (Vice-Capt.)	.....
3—WARHURST, D.	.....	3—JOHNSTON, G. B.	.....
4—PASH, J.	.....	4—TOMS, L.	.....
5—GREGORY, L.	.....	5—HUNT, R.	.....
6—RIX, C.	.....	6—KEANE, R.	.....
7—MELVIN, L.	.....	7—BURT, F.	.....
8—BENNETTS, L.	.....	8—BROCK, M.	.....
9—HOSKINS, R.	.....	9—PHILLIS, D.	.....
10—HOGAN, G.	.....	10—SHARPE, E.	.....
11—HOGAN, J.	.....	11—POWER, G.	.....
12—COLEMAN, D.	.....	12—WAITE, M.	.....
13—BOWDEN, K.	.....	13—LUSH, L.	.....
14—FARMER, K.	9.6	14—CORBETT, R.	.....
15—WALLISH, N.	.....	15—HALL, S.	.....
16—AAMODT, C.	.....	16—PIKE, W.	.....
18—TELFER, A.	.....	17—COOPER, R.	.....
19—MARTIN, O.	.....	18—BAILEY, C.	.....
20—PEARCE, F.	.....	19—AHRENDT, N.	(19)
21—CASEY, T.	.....	20—McGREGOR, A.	(Re)
1st Qr. 3.3	Goals 3. Behinds	1st Qr. 2	Goals 14. Behinds
2nd Qr. 6.3	Goals 3. Behinds	2nd Qr. 5	Goals 16. Behinds
3rd Qr. 8.9	Goals 9. Behinds	3rd Qr. 6	Goals 11. Behinds
Final 9.10	Goals 10. Behinds	Final 12	Goals 15. Behinds



KEN FARMER, North full forward, who opened the season brilliantly against Glenelg today. He kicked