

# NORTH DEFENCE CHECKED PORT RALLY

BY HAYDN BUNTON

A steady North defence held off a fast Port finish at Alberton Oval today, the Red-and-Whites winning by nine points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3—4	5—7	8—8	10—9	69
Port	2—0	5—2	7—5	9—6	60

Odgers was easily North's best. He made his wing an open road to goal for three quarters, and when he went on the ball in the last term continued to play intelligently.

Close behind him was McKay, who time out of number repelled Port at full back.

At the vital moment in the last quarter, when Port were pressing in vigorously, he went on the ball to give North ruck supremacy for the first time.

Phillips, although not consistently good all day, was one of the match-winning factors.

Gilbourne, although still eligible for the colts, is up to league standard. When roving and in a forward pocket he gave North good service, his two goals being gems.

Whitaker played an outstanding game for Port both roving and in a forward pocket. This 18-year-old player, playing his first game in league company today, played as though he had years' experience behind him. He is a born footballer, and is assured of a good future.

Greer played goot football all day. He started in defence, saving time and again with his pace and tear-through tactics. He also proved his worth at centre.

Russell, although not himself at centre, when shifted to the backline after half-time, made his presence felt. But for his effort, to a large degree, North would probably have won by more.

Schumann, sure in defence, played a real captain's game and, like Russell, saved North forward moves repeatedly.

Best Players—North: Odgers, McKay, Phillips, Gilbourne, Coulls, Crouch, Aamodt. Port: Whitaker, Greer, Russell, Schumann, McLean, Growden, Whelan.

Scorers—North: Pedler 3.4, Gilbourne 2.1, Pash, Phillips each 1.1, Cox, Arbon, Odgers each 1, Coulls 0.1, rushed 0.1. Port: Growden 2.1, Curtis, Whitaker each 2.0, Batt, Greer, Marrett each 1, Carr 0.4, Fletcher 0.1.

### PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P.	W.	L.	Points For.	Points Agst.	Prem. Pts.
North	15	11	4	1453	1169	22
Norwood	15	11	4	1539	1287	22
Torrens	15	9	6	1448	1185	18
West	15	9	6	1393	1240	18
Port	15	7	8	1118	1148	14
Glenelg	15	7	8	1288	1346	14
South	15	3	12	1268	1639	6
Sturt	15	3	12	1004	1495	6

### Top goalkickers

	Today	Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	7	64
Mehaffey (Torrens)	—	47
Zucker (Port)	—	47
Thompson (Sturt)	2	35
Dalwood (Norwood)	3	35
Tuckey (North)	—	34

# Glenelg in runaway win from South

By Amos Bottruff

Glenelg's masterly exhibition of fast, vigorous football, particularly in ruck and across centre, enabled them to unnerve and then trounce South at Adelaide Oval.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	6—2	11—6	14—18	18—22	130
South	3—1	6—5	7—7	8—9	57

Crabb won the toss for Glenelg, but neither side got much advantage from the cross breeze.

Glenelg were first into attack, and, apart from a tense period early in the second quarter, they were never challenged.

At that stage South had their only chance of making amends for earlier shortcomings, but were not equal to it. They were forced almost entirely on the defensive for the remainder of the game.

Deane was not available, but South were so much out of touch that it is difficult to see how his presence would have made much difference.

### Too fast everywhere

Glenelg were too fast everywhere, except on Harris's wing and at the goalfront, where Pryor gave an inspiring display in spite of Churchett's fine goal shooting.

South looked nervous when going for the ball and in their despatch. They had apparently become unnerved by the intense vigor of players like Robjent and Trenorden, and could not pull themselves together.

Glenelg lost the value of much of their good work by inaccurate kicking for goal. In the third quarter they kicked 3—13, mostly from snapshots.

I would rank Robjent as Glenelg's best.

Tireless all day and at times most vigorous, he was responsible for much of the play that unsettled South. His long, forceful kicking into attack was a highlight.

Crabb must be ranked next because of his masterly ruck work.

### McPherson brilliant

McPherson gave a brilliant display at centre wing, where he took charge from the start. He wasn't beaten all day.

Trenorden, like Robjent, was tireless and effective until carried off with a sprained ankle late in the game.

Brooker, roving, was fast and effective, but off the target in the third quarter. Hannaford was solid at half-back, and Donaldson safe in the air.

For South, Pryor was brilliant although Churchett kicked seven goals.

Ken Harris was one of the few midfield players who defeated his opponent nearly all day. He was fast and his foot passing was most effective.

Shimleck played a sound game but had to battle hard for his opportunities.

Best Players—Glenelg: Robjent, Crabb, McPherson, Trenorden, Brooker, Hannaford, Donaldson, Laffin, Churchett. South: Pryor, K. Harris, Shimleck, Tabe, Abbott, Laphorne, Williams, McLeod.

Scorers—Glenelg: Churchett 7.2, Brooker 3.8, Hawkes 2.2, Boehm 1.2, Donaldson 1.2, Teagle 1.1, Robjent 1.0, Window 1.0, McPherson 1.0, Laffin 0.3, Crabb 0.1, Trenorden 0.1. South: Shimleck 3.3, Laphorne 3.1, Merchant 2.1, McLeod 0.1, Tabe 0.1, Hann 0.1, Ardill 0.1.

South—Backs: Linke, Pryor, Williams. Half-backs: Venning, Abbott, Mutze. Centres: Slattery, Fraser, K. Harris. Half-forwards: Hann, Ardill, Tabe. Forwards: Merchant, Houston, Shimleck, Ruck: McLeod, Butcher, Laphorne. Reserves: Leonard, Sampson.

Glenelg—Backs: Vale, Hunt, Window. Half-backs: Karutz, Hannaford, Prior. Centres: Hillier, Trenorden, McPherson. Half-forwards: Donaldson, Boehm, Teagle. Forwards: Laffin, Churchett, Hawkes. Ruck: Crabb, Robjent, Brooker. Reserves: Haussen, Deer. Umpire: K. L. Aplin. Estimated attendance: 4,000.

# West beat Redlegs in last quarter

By Len Swan

In a devastating last quarter, West overwhelmed Norwood and won by 37 points at Kensington.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	2—1	4—8	8—14	14—23	107
Norwood	2—3	6—4	10—4	11—4	70

West's poor kicking for goal enabled Norwood to hold a slender lead for the first three quarters.

But Norwood, although two points in front at the last change, had no answer to West's brilliant final term.

West had the ball in their forward lines for most of the match.

West gradually gained control, and only their poor kicking for goal enabled Norwood to stay in the picture.

Then came the last quarter. It was all West, and 15 scoring shots to one was a true indication of their supremacy.

On today's showing, West are a good side. Their small men were a tower of strength, and although Burke generally gave Norwood the edge at the bounce, it was usually Slattery, Coad, or Fos Williams who retrieved the knock.

Norwood did well in the air until their big men tired, but they were rarely able to match the speed of their opponents.

Except for Whitford's wing, West had the call across centre. Their open forward play was at times brilliant.

West showed Norwood how to use effective handball, and were adept at finding the player making position.

In this regard Broadstock was prominent. He rarely missed an opportunity to handball to the player racing through.

Slattery gave another brilliant display. His elusive and speedy play kept West attacking and generally left his opponents flat-footed.

Lewis was like a rock in defence.

Norwood attacked through Whitford for most of the day. Until he tired in the closing stages, he did everything asked of him.

Burke battled hard and knocked powerfully from the crushes.

Tilbrook, although against brilliant roving, gave effective service and was one of the few Norwood players to match West's speed.

Best Players—West: Slattery, Agars, Lewis, Coad, P. Williams, Prowse, J. Taylor. Norwood: Whitford, Burke, Tilbrook, Dalwood, Le Page, Warren, Hall.

Scorers.—West: Coad 5.4, Slattery 2.2, Prowse, Broadstock 1.4, Todd, A'Court 1.2, D. Taylor 1.1, James, Souter 1.0, P. Williams, 0.2, Lynch 0.1, rushed 0.1. Norwood: Williams 3.1, Dalwood 3.0, Farrow 1.1, Rudd, Drage, Tilbrook, Whitford 1.0, Hall 0.2, Farrow hit a goalpost.

# Torrens surprised in Unley game

By Brian Shea

Gaining a decisive lead in the second term, Sturt surprised Torrens at Unley Oval. They won by 29 points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	3—1	10—5	13—8	15—9	99
Torrens	1—7	4—8	7—13	9—16	70

Colin Ingham was the outstanding player for Sturt. He was in great form at full back early in the game. Called on to the ball, he gave Sturt complete ruck control.

Tilley was little behind Ingham as Sturt's best. He gave a brilliant sustained display at centre half-back.

Others to stand out in a well-balanced side were Ryan and Southern (centre half-forward).

Bob Hank at centre was Torrens' best. He was in fine form early in the game. Although closely checked after half-time, he was one of the few Torrens

players to forward the ball on with accurate passes.

Glastonbury also stood out in a team generally below form. He filled the bill as a utility man.

Best Players—Sturt: Ingham, Tilley, Ryan, Southern, Thomas, Trezise, L. G. Giles. Torrens: Bob Hank, Glastonbury, Ray Hank, Mehaffey, A. Roberts, Prior, Bigmore.

Scorers—Sturt: Southern 3.2, Boland 2.3, Thompson 2.1, Lugg 2.0, Hillary 2.0, Baker 1.2, N. Giles 1.1, Chapman 1.0, Kutcher 1.0. Torrens: McInnes 3.3, Prior 2.6, Coverlid 2.0, Ray Hank 1.2, Broadstock 1.1, Siviour 0.2, Mehaffey 0.2.