

GLENELG SNATCH VICTORY BY FIVE POINTS

By HAYDN BUNTON, as told to Lawrie Jervis, jun.

After a slogging, gruelling game, almost completely devoid of system, Glenelg clinched their place in the final four with a five-point win over North at Glenelg Oval today. It is the first time Glenelg have reached the major round since 1934, when they became premiers.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	0—6	5—10	9—14	11—18	84
North	6—6	7—7	10—11	11—13	79

When the final siren sounded you'd have thought Glenelg had won the premiership, judging by the enthusiasm of the crowd and players.

The game was hard and tough from the start, and North, just as in their earlier meeting on the Bay Oval this year, ran to a six-goal lead by the end of the first quarter. Then it looked as if North had only to go on in the same way for the match to be a rout.

Vaughan—playing well at centre against Don Taylor—and McKenzie, Aldenhoven, and Aamodt all rushed on goals while all Glenelg could manage was two points.

Glenelg shot for goals in a great hurry in contrast to the steadier kicking of North.

On the half-back line Jim Blunden did wonders for North. Five times in a row he turned the Bays.

"Dished it out"

There were no half-measures about the way North went in for the ball in that first term. They "dished it out" in great style.

But in the second quarter things were the reverse. Laurie Taylor, who had been out of the play, came good with a vengeance, and with Crabb still the best ruckman afield, Glenelg moved.

In no time they had goals on from Churchett, Laurie Taylor, Brooker, and then two more from Laurie Taylor.

The best worth could offer in reply was a point from McKenzie. Yet Vaughan was still better than Don Taylor at centre, while Karutz, on the wing, was in great form. North seemed to go to pieces under the pressure, and played very raggedly.

The Bays went for the long-kick game, and as Churchett was getting nowhere with Ian McKay as his shadow, Laurie Taylor went right into the forward lines when any Bay man marked near centre.

It was by going forward like this that Laurie Taylor got the two goals, after marks, which took the Bays almost up to North.

Wright, playing his second league game, repeatedly smashed up North attacks on his half-back left wing. In fact, on the day, Wright was one of the best defenders in the field.

For the third quarter, the Bays made important changes. Laurie Taylor, who was limping because of kicks in the calf and thigh in the second term, went up as goalsneak. Churchett went to centre, Don Taylor to centre half-back, and "Curly" Hannaford went to centre half-forward.

Haussen, a menace to North all day, either roving or in a forward pocket, set the Bays on their way again with two goals, after Cox's for North.

Bays take lead

Robjent had gone off, and Miller was on in his place for the Bays, but still the Bay rucks were in charge.

Vaughan and Aamodt kicked goals for North, then Hannaford's, from about centre half-forward, gave the Bays the lead—by two points—for the first time in the game.

From then on, the game became harder, and as it did so, any semblance of system became more remote. It was almost every man for himself, going in head down, and the devil take the hindermost.

By the term's end, Glenelg were still three points behind, but it was anyone's game.

The last quarter, for both teams, was just sheer hard work. It was a case of run, kick, mark, kick—run, mark, kick—it didn't really matter where so long as the ball went in the general direction of your side's goals.

After two points, Gilbourne goaled for North and it seemed the Bays' final four chances were vanishing fast.

But with Alan Crabb pounding all over the field like a real tiger on the loose the Bays gradually forced the game their way.

Boehm was on in place of Laurie Taylor.

The Bays got three points, then a goal from Crabb, another point from Crabb, and were within one point of North.

Then, with only three minutes to go, Hannaford marked out on the half-forward left pocket—and put the ball through.

With players on both sides very obviously at the end of their tether, that clinched things.

Won the game

For Glenelg, Alan Crabb was a tremendous power in the ruck all day. In the last quarter he turned on a "do or die" effort which, as much as anything else, was just that little bit extra which probably won the game for the Bays.

Karutz, on a wing, played one of his best games for many a long day. He not only held his opponent, but at times made his wing an attacking position.

Wright, at half-back right, pulled down several great marks, and he was rarely beaten. For a second league game, it was a first-class effort.

Ian McKay was outstanding for North. Time and again Glenelg attacks were stopped in the last 10 or 20 yards solely by the powers of his high marking, particularly in the last half.

Jim Blunden played a great game on the half-back line in the first half, more particularly the first quarter. Throughout he was hardly beaten.

At centre, Vaughan was not beaten for the day. He won his position early against Don Taylor, and although quieter later, it was more because he had less opportunities than earlier, because so much play went round the wings.

Best Players.—Glenelg: Crabb, Karutz, Wright, Haussen, Hunt, Window, Hannaford, Trenorden, D Taylor. North: McKay, Vaughan, Blunden, Cox, Griffin, Aldenhoven, Arbon, Carroll.

Goalkickers.—Glenelg: L. Taylor 3.1, Haussen 2.4, Crabb 2.2, Hannaford 2.0, Churchett 1.3, Brooker 1.2, Pryor 0.3, Laffin 0.1, rushed 0.2. North: Cox 2.2, Vaughan 2.0, Aamodt 2.0, McKenzie 1.4, Stringer 1.1, Kennett 1.1, Gilbourne 1.1, Aldenhoven 1.0, Odgers 0.1, rushed 0.3.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Norwood	13	3	1872	1165	26
Port	12	4	1383	1200	24
Glenelg	11	5	1504	1306	22
Torrens	10	6	1608	1264	20
North	8	8	1448	1191	16
West	8	8	1367	1289	16
Sturt	2	14	1124	1797	4
South	—	16	945	2039	—

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Mchs.	Sat.	Ttl.
Churchett (G)	16	1.2	82.55
Mehaffey (WT)	16	3.2	56.30
Williams (N)	16	5.7	54.39
Willis (WT)	14	4.4	49.38
Bradford (WT)	16	1.3	38.32
Williams (PA)	14	4.2	38.28
Dalwood (N)	16	3.1	38.24
Thompson (S)	12	—	32.12

ATTENDANCES

Thebarton Oval (PA v. WT)	15,000
Glenelg Oval (G v. NA)	10,000
Adelaide Oval (WA v. S)	3,500
Norwood Oval (N v. SA)	3,400
Total	31,900

Narrow victory gains Port 2 chances

By LEN SWAN

In a closely fought and even game Port defeated Torrens by two points at Thebarton Oval today. This win gives Port second chance in the finals.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2—2	7—4	8—6	11—12	78
Torrens	2—4	4—7	8—12	10—16	76

It was a great game packed with excitement. There was little between the teams.

With seconds to go, it was anyone's game, and Torrens were attacking fiercely.

Port had more stars than Torrens. The home side was a consistent combination that fought every inch of the way.

For Port, Russell's defence work was at times phenomenal and he can lay full claim to the title of "The Rock." His effort was consistently good throughout and Torrens always found it hard to pass this fine defender.

It was Fos Williams who inspired Port when Torrens threatened. His tenacious work on the ruck fringes is worthy of the highest praise. Not only did Boyd beat Bob Hank, who is always a danger, but he took the initiative, and

with pace and intelligence placed Port in the attacking role time and again.

Hollis gave a fine display on a wing for Torrens, and he was the one strong point across centre for the losers.

Whether on the ball or in attack Mehaffey played fine football. His drop kicks are a treat to watch.

Bill Hank defended solidly at centre half-back, and his fine clearances, particularly during the first three-quarters, could not be faulted.

Best Players—Port: Russell, Williams, Boyd, Whitaker, Fletcher, Marrett, Parham, Carr, Torrens; Hollis, Mehaffey, Bill Hank, Prior, Coverlid, R. Sully, Bradford Roberts.

Scorers—Port: Williams 4.2, Boyd 2.0, Mills 1.5, Whelan 1.2, Marrett 1.1, Fletcher, Whitaker, Carr 0.2 (Mills hit post). Torrens: Willis 4.4, Mehaffey 3.2, Bradford 1.3, M. Sully, Prior 1.0, Coverlid 0.3, R. Hank, Hollis, Fischer 0.1, rushed 0.1.

Ruck power gave West easy win

By BRIAN SHEA

An overpowering ruck strength and a clear-cut advantage across centre gave West a comfortable win over Sturt in a fast game at Adelaide Oval.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	4—4	6—6	12—10	13—16	94
Sturt	1—3	8—4	8—6	11—10	76

Sturt kicked 7—1 in a dazzling second quarter, but they could not maintain their speed in the second half, when West were never in danger.

Best Players—West: Cannon, A'Court, Hewitt, Eglington, Semmler, Paehee, Edwards, Sturt, Causel, Teater, Langley, Mortimer, Soland, Fry, Rattigan.

Scorers—West: Semmler 3.0, Bernie Blattery 2.1, Cannon 2.1, A'Court 1.3, Brian Blattery 1.1, Parnell 1.1, Williams 1.1, Atkins 1.0, Hewitt 1.0, Agars 0.3, Trestrail 0.2, Mabarack 0.2, rushed 0.2. Sturt: Causel 4.1, Shanks 3.3, Rattigan 3.1, Boland 1.1, Tayne 1.1, Whelan 1.1, Cave 0.1, Langley 0.1.

Glenelg—North (Glenelg Oval)

(Glenelg kicking up and names underneath—probable North placings.)

McKay	Churchett	Arbon
Carroll	Laffin	Brooker
Blunden	Galloway	Crouch
Kempson	L. Taylor	Prior
Odgers	Vaughan	Griffin
McPherson	D. Taylor	Karutz
Kennett	Phillips	Stringer
Wright	Hannaford	Window
Cox	Aldenhoven	
Trenorden	J. Taylor	
W. McKenzie	Hunt	

Rucks—Glenelg: Crabb, Robjent, Haussen; Laffin, J. Taylor, Brooker. North: Tidswell, Aamodt, H. McKenzie; Carroll, Aldenhoven, Cox. Reserves—Glenelg: Miller, Boehm. North: Gilbourne, Sowter, Hancock, McCann. Umpire: K. L. Apfin.

REDLEGS WIN WITH 14-GOAL MARGIN

By AMOS BOTTRUFF

After a bright and vigorous first quarter, Norwood's position play and clean despatch to teammates enabled them to race away from South to win by 87 points at Norwood Oval.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	7—5	12—14	16—21	21—28	154
South	5—3	5—6	7—10	9—13	67

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
South	17	12	5	1314	1174	24
Torrens	17	11	6	1440	1113	22
Port	17	11	6	1186	1010	22
West	17	10	7	1494	1178	20
Sturt	17	10	7	1208	1063	20
North	17	6	11	1220	1439	12
Glenelg	17	5	12	1504	1670	10
Norwood	17	3	14	1128	1543	4

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ASSOCIATION

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	5.1	10.8	14.13	29.17	37
North	3.4	4.7	9.7	13.7	35

Goalkickers—Glenelg: Eundell (10), Linke (3), Herring (3), N. Cuthbertson, K. Cuthbertson, Oldman, Cox. North: Coulls (5), Langley (3), Hancock (2), Sauter, Brown, Bassalin.

Best Players—Glenelg: Potter, Rurdell, Hawkes, K. Cuthbertson, Myle, Vale, North, Hoile, Walsh, Maroney, Barbary, Melville.

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Grone (Norwood)	6	30
Rundle (Glenelg)	10	49
Jacquer (Port)	6	48
Tuckey (West)	3	38
Johns (Sturt)	2	35
Hawkes (Glenelg)	—	34
Wilson (South)	3	31