

# South pace worn down by Glenelg

By BRIAN SHEA

Glenelg easily defeated South in a one-sided game at Glenelg Oval today. Glenelg's ruck strength wore down South's early speed, and the Bays went right away after the first quarter to win easily.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	5-6	13-9	16-15	20-21	141
South	4-3	6-11	8-11	12-15	87

It was a very even game early with South matching Glenelg's ruck strength with terrific pace, which had the Tigers floundering early in the game.

Both sides used intelligent handball to the loose man.

Deane, scouting well round the ruck fringes, opened the game up for South with bullet-like foot passes which cut holes in the Glenelg defence.

The game was highlighted early by great leaping for the ball, and it was the Tiger's aerial strength which gave them a break over South.

## South outclassed

The Tigers were driving straight down the ground through Don Taylor at centre half-forward, and their long-kicking game enabled them to race to a commanding lead halfway through the third quarter.

South were outclassed in nearly every position on the ground and their checking game gave them few scoring chances. Johnny Taylor, Glenelg captain, was outstanding for his side. His vigorous game in ruck did much to lift Glenelg after a strong opening by South and his cool play in defence turned many South attacks.

## Safe marking

Don Taylor held centre half-forward for Glenelg with safe marking. Others to show out in a very even side were Brian Wright, at centre half back, Davies (ruck) and Churchett (goalsneak). Jim Deane played grand football for South. He was

most effective when roving, and although quieter when he went to centre, he continued to play well.

Harris, although recovering from a bout of flu, held a centre wing for South. He collapsed with exhaustion after the game.

Others to show out for South were Laphorne (roving), Butcher (in ruck), and Garrett (in defence). Bailey, Glenelg (back injury) was replaced by Dewar in the last quarter.

Panizza (South) leg injury was replaced by Tabe in the second quarter, and Veitch (South) groin injury was replaced by Fletcher in the last quarter.

Best Players—Glenelg: J. Taylor, Prior, D. Taylor, H. B. Wright, Davies, Churchett, Bailey, South, Deane, Harris, Laphorne, Butcher, Garrett, Wilson, Veitch.

Scorers—Glenelg: Churchett 7, Crabb 4.1, Brooker 3.3, Davies 2.6, Don Taylor 1.2, Potter 1.2, J. Taylor 1.1, Hart 1.0, McDonald 0.4, Rundle 0.1, South: Laphorne 4.3, Walker 3.1, Mills 2.3, Butcher 2.0, Read 1.3, Deane 0.2, Wilson 0.1, rushed 0.2

# REDLEGS HAD ADVANTAGES

Better anticipation and a marked superiority of confidence in ruck and in a number of set positions, enabled Norwood to outscore Sturt in the second and third quarters and go on to win by 31 points at Norwood Oval today.

By AMOS BOTTROFF

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	4-6	9-7	15-9	18-12	120
Sturt	5-4	7-5	9-6	13-11	89

Despite Sturt's early speed and equally bright finishing effort, their handling of the ball was too often astray.

They handled it like a hot potato, overran it, and at times found themselves two yards ahead of a teammate's hand pass.

This is why Sturt, who went out with dash and met with enough success through Thompson, Baker, Fitzgerald, Caust and Boland to be 15 points ahead of Norwood just before the end of the first quarter, were down 39 points at three-quarter time.

## Oatey's mastery

Norwood's early play lacked both speed and

vigor and looked rather amateurish by comparison, but there was Oatey's mastery and confidence.

Curnow (Sturt back pocketman) had the task of watching Oatey and followed him closely for some time.

But Oatey had Le Page playing the loose man round the centre patch, and he co-operated well with Norwood's plan.

Mayo (Norwood) came prominently into the picture in the second quarter. He led out strongly and marked well to assist in a four-goal burst.

Both teams showed unusually good accuracy, particularly Norwood, who scored 11-3 in the second and third terms.

Sturt fought back very well in the final term. Thompson led the rucks well, but most pleasing aspect was the greater confidence with which the whole team moved and handled the ball.

## Marriott good

In naming the best men it is necessary to mention that on the day most players were somewhat patchy.

For Norwood Marriott was possibly their best. Although his battle with Thompson was fairly even, his fine marking and strong kicking often sent his team into attack.

Mayo played his best game for the season. Added to his fine leading and sound marking, his 5-1 was a good effort in itself from centre half-forward.

Oatey would still not be over-rated to be named as one of the side's top-rankers. Every time he handled the ball he did it effectively.

Hall (ruck), another valiant fighting effort, Le Page, ruck, Davies, wing, and Dalwood in goal, each did well.

## Rover did well

For Sturt, Baker roving was best. He was in the thick of play more often than any of his teammates, and really played a fine game.

Boland, roving and forward, played with great dash, and usually finished off his work with a good foot pass.

Thompson was perhaps a little quieter than in recent games, but he rucked very well and kicked three goals. Caust started off well and generally played a sound game.

Downing (goal) played with enough dash to warrant him being at centre half-back or out in the midfield.

Best Players—Norwood: Marriott, Mayo, Oatey, Hall, Williams, Dalwood, LePage, Davies, Sturt: Baker, Boland, Thompson, Caust, Downing, Fitzgerald, Curnow. Scorers—Norwood: Mayo 5.1, Williams 3.5, Blackmore 2.1, Lambert 2.1, Marriott 2.1, Heldenreich 1.1, Oatey 1.0, Curtis 1.0, Davies 1.0, rushed 0.2, Sturt: Caust 4.1, Thompson 3.0, Ladd 2.2, Fitzgerald 2.1, Cave 1.1, Koehne 1.0, Boland 0.3, Southern 0.2, Baker 0.1

(second half). Stringer, Gilbourne, and Phillips were best of the others not already mentioned.

Best Players—Port: Williams, Luke, Clarke, Abley, Greer, Fletcher, Marrett, North: Kennett, H. McKenzie, Crouch, Aldenhoven, Stringer, Gilbourne, McKay, Phillips.

Scorers—Port: Clarke 5.1, Williams 3.1, Fletcher 1.2, Zucker 1.2, Boyd 1.1, Keough 1.1, Trowse 1.0, Salverini 1.0, Marrett 0.2, Luke 0.1, rushed 0.1, North: Kennett 3.0, Phillips 2.3, Tidswell 1.1, Gilbourne 1.1, H. McKenzie 1.1, McKay 0.2, Renner 0.1, Garnett 0.1, Fuller 0.1.

# NORTH TROUNCED BY PORT AGAIN; BIG MARGIN

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

For the second time in a month, Port showed they have all the answers to North by thrashing them by more than six goals again at Alberton Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	5-5	9-6	12-10	14-12	96
North	2-2	4-4	7-5	8-11	59

Before the game I thought North might improve vastly on their showing at Alberton last time, particularly as Whitaker and McDonald were out of the Port side.

North improved a little, as far as winning margin is concerned, but in no way suggested it will be their turn to win when the teams meet again in a fortnight's time.

From about half-way through the first term, when Port got going, North were not in the race. At no time did they seem capable of turning on a sustained burst which would take them to the front.

Clarke, at centre half-forward for Port, had a brilliant patch of form in the first half. He hardly let Ian McKay see the ball.

## Many changes

As well, Port won across centre where Boyd shut Vaughan right out and Hewitson and Luke, playing great games, won their wings.

With such an advantage, plus the fact that Fos Williams roved at his best, and goalkeeper John Abley, only missed about one mark against opposition all day. North were out-classed.

In the last North debacle against Port, half the team was swung to new positions after half-time. The same was done today, and again served no purpose.

Vaughan, well beaten at centre, was switched to centre wing, and Griffin went to centre. Ian McKay, who had hardly sighted the ball, went into ruck. Bill McKenzie went from centre half-forward to goalsneak. Tidswell left goalsneak to go into ruck. Stringer went to centre half-back, Garnett to a half back flank, and rover Darcy Cox took over a wing.

There can be no criticism of changes when a team is losing. It is a logical step. But wholesale changeover of positions such as has occurred in the last two North games against Port, can have no other effect but to unsettle a side.

The half-time changes were not the last, either. For the last term, Vaughan was moved again, from centre wing to half back, and Bill McKenzie went on the wing, with Garnett at full forward.

Only two benefits came from all these moves. Ian McKay played particularly well in ruck, and Stringer as centre-half back, limited Clarke somewhat.

The most remarkable feature of the game—which showed how Port exploited loose man play—was the number of solo runs upfield made by Port players. Time and again, Magpie men took an easy 30-40 yard gallop with the ball, unhindered by any North opponent.

## Kicked hurriedly

In contrast, when North men got the ball, nine times out of ten they kicked it hurriedly and wildly.

On the day, North won maybe three set positions. Kennett, against hot opposition from Parham, was a driving force at half-forward right. Hubert McKenzie roved doggedly, and Frank Crouch defended well at half-back.

Fos Williams probably felt today that he would have to turn on something extra when roving to make up for the absence of Whitaker. He did. That sums up the efforts of the State's best rover.

Luke, on a wing, in his first game this season, rarely gave Griffin a look-in in the first half. Luke continued to win against Vaughan and McKenzie in the second half, too.

Clarke (centre half-forward) played a magnificent first half, but was quieter afterwards, while Abley (goalkeeper) didn't miss a trick.

## Reliable player

Paul Kennett, at half-forward right, was about the only player on whom North could rely to make progress in their attacks. He repeatedly sent the ball right in to the goal. McKay

## Premiership list

PREMIERSHIP TABLE					
	W.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Port	9	1	862	583	18
North	8	2	946	684	16
Glenelg	6	4	978	837	12
Torrens	6	4	894	802	12
West	5	5	736	777	10
Norwd.	4	6	866	759	8
Sturt	1	9	732	1060	2
South	1	9	682	1124	2

## Top goalkickers

Today			Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	7		55
Phillips (North)	2		45
Bradford (Torrens)	2		32
Laphorne (South)	4		29
Brooker (Glenelg)	3		28
Willis (Torrens)	3		28
Caust (Sturt)	4		22

# West Torrens were better stayers

By LEN SWAN

Better staying power and a reliable defence gave Torrens a nine-point victory over West Adelaide at Adelaide Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	2-5	5-8	9-11	11-17	83
West	3-2	6-3	9-7	11-8	74

Although Faehse gave West the advantage of end by winning the toss there was little value in the wind. The game developed into an interesting tussle, full of excitement, with bursts of fine football.

The early pace did not slacken and both sides fought vigorously to take command and break away.

It was anyone's game but to half-time West appeared to have enough edge to give them victory.

Except for the initial score by Torrens—a behind—West held the lead through the first half to finish one point in front.

After the interval Torrens looked threatening. They broke away in fine style. Willis goaled and from then to the final bell Torrens seemed to have sufficient in hand to win.

Torrens must be pleased with the performance of their followers today. This department was largely responsible for their win.

Prior, Bill Hank, Coverlid and Pyatt were in control for the greater part of the game.

As most of the set positions were closely contested it was the drive from the ruck strength that put Torrens in front.

Torrens could have done better had they allowed their forwards more room.

I noticed that the half-forwards persisted in crowding centre half-forward and even their goal front.

Had it not been for the excellent scouting by Bradford and Mehafeey they could easily have lost the game.

West have a sound side, but some of their stalwarts were not as prominent today as usual.

Their pace and tenacity kept them a danger to Torrens.

A brilliant effort by Eglington at centre wing provided most of the drive. This player must be given full credit for his performance and value to his side.

Although Bob Hank was among Torrens' best, Lynch did a fine job for West in keeping that brilliant player from dominating the pivot position.

Willis did not kick accurately, but he made position well and marked brilliantly.

Torrens back men were sound in their tactics. Their solid work, particularly in the first half when West threatened to draw away, helped considerably in Torrens' win.

Roberts was my choice as first for Torrens.

## Fine clearances

His uncanny judgment and fine clearances kept West out time and again. Prior rucked strongly and his knocking from the crushes was rarely challenged.

At centre, Bob Hank was always in the picture. Although quiet in the third quarter, he was always a danger.

His foot passing was a treat to watch.

For West, Eglington is my choice for a clever and effective game at centre wing.

Lewis at half-forward, battled gamely all day and had more than his share of kicks.

In a back pocket, Brown as usual, was brilliant and clever.

Best Players—Torrens: Roberts, Prior, Bob Hank, Bill Hank, Mehafeey, Bradford, Pyatt, West Adelaide: Eglington, Lewis, Brown, Bernie Slattery, Thomas, Lynch, Faehse.

Scorers—Torrens: Bradford 3.6, Willis 3.3, Mehafeey 2.4, Prior 2.0, Ray Hank 1.0, Coverlid, Cockshell, Pyatt, Clingsy 0.1, rushed, 0.1. West Adelaide: Agars 4.1, Nelson 3.1, Lewis 2.0, Bern Slattery 1.1, Williams, Thomas 1.0, A'Court 0.2, Lee 0.1, Brian Slattery 0.1, Cannon 0.1.