

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	WLD	For	Ag.	Pts	%
Port	11	3	1355	989	22 57.8
Norwood	9	4	1178	906	19 56.5
Sturt	9	5	1105	1001	18 52.4
Torrens	8	5	1209	1014	17 51.3
North	6	8	1088	1152	12 48.5
Glenelg	5	9	1041	1213	10 46.1
West	5	9	1126	1342	10 45.0
South	2	12	804	1289	4 38.4

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Caust (Sturt)	2	44
Rundle (Glenelg)	3	43
Chown (Torrens)	2	37
Clift (Port)	2	32
Lindner (North)	2	31
McKenzie (North)	1	28
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	—	25
Pynit (Torrens)	—	25
Walker (Norwood)	1	25

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

SA v. WA (Perth)
SA Second 18 v. Broken Hill (Adelaide).

ATTENDANCES

Alberton Oval	7,000
Adelaide Oval	4,000
Unley Oval	11,500
Prospect Oval	12,000
Total	34,500

Top 4 teams stay

Although North defeated Norwood today and Torrens defeated Sturt, the leading four in league football stay in the same order.

By Ray Barber

There was no change in the placings of the eight teams.

North, the team of the moment, were looking for a Sturt win over Torrens.

But Torrens thwarted that to remain five precious premiership points in front of North.

North, with their late run—they have defeated Torrens and Norwood in successive matches—will be hard pressed to make up the five points.

Too much pace

North lasted better than Norwood to win by nine points.

Torrens had too much pace and position play for Sturt in a 24-point win.

Port were given plenty of opposition by Glenelg, but won by 25 points.

In the closest game of the day West defeated South by seven points—one point more than their last meeting at Adelaide.

Led all day

Vic Johnson, who covered the Prospect game, said North's centre line won them the game.

North led Norwood all day after first use of the breeze, which was strong enough to dictate all games.

Johnson said Lindner was best for North, with Norwood goalkeeper Reimann best on the ground.

In the Unley game, Cockshell, Torrens' half-back, was reported for having allegedly struck May in the second quarter.

There were several other incidents to make it a fiery game.

Shared goals

It was a day for sharing goals.

Three was the highest individual tally of the day.

Eight Norwood players kicked a goal each in Norwood's 8-11.

Brown, North rover, was carried from the field with concussion in the first quarter and at Alberton, Laffin, came off with a twisted knee in the first term.

Spread of Port power beat Bays

By JEFF PASH

More evenly distributed strength, especially in the rucks, enabled Port to defeat Glenelg at Alberton Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3-1	7-10	8-12	12-17	89
Glenelg	3-3	3-6	9-9	9-10	64

The Bays lost Laffin in the first quarter, and were well down at half-time. They reshuffled extensively to hold a slight lead at three-quarter time.

However, Port, finishing strongly with the wind, had a fair lead when heavy rain began to fall, and won by a good margin.

Crabb won the toss for Glenelg and chose the southern end, towards which a strong gusty breeze was blowing.

The Bays were sent into attack at once by their first ruck, but their early moves were hurried and unsuccessful.

Too anxious

In their anxiety to make the most of their period with the wind they fell into error—either kicking blindly or handballing to excess.

An alert, sure Port defence was almost entirely on top; their saves and good disposal turned the attack repeatedly.

Port generally played well in this quarter, using accurate drop-kicks into the wind and making the most of a number of marking strong points.

Glenelg were unlucky to lose Laffin, who injured a knee in the first few minutes and had to leave the field at once.

At the end of the quarter, Glenelg had a lead of five points—after having had the assistance of a four-goal breeze.

Slipperiness about the rucks accounted for some of Port's good showing; but their forwards had moved well.

Dog leads to fall

A dog raced across the field in front of Stan Wickham, Glenelg back pocketman in the match against Port at Alberton Oval today.

Wickham fell and broke a blood vessel in a wrist.

The dog had been put off the playing area previously.

In the second term, Glenelg, after having two quick goals scored against them, defended with great determination. They had not the even strength in ruck to initiate attacks of their own, and their centre line was having a struggle to maintain even terms.

However, they were able to stop Port from breaking away—as the Magpies had shown intermittent signs of doing. The Port forwards found the high wind quite as disconcerting as the Bays had in the first quarter.

With the forwards well covered, Port had to rely on the rucks to do the scoring. In a period of scrambly play Port, holding Glenelg scoreless, went to a 28-point lead at half-time.

Glenelg reshuffled extensively for the third quarter, sending Leahy, who had replaced Laffin, to full back, Brian Wright

to full forward, Alf Bailey to centre, Hewett to half-forward left, and Yeo to centre half-back.

The moves were successful, and Port gained few forward breaks for the quarter.

The Bays improved solidly during the term to make the best scoring burst of the match, getting six goals and a lead of 3 points at the last change.

In the last quarter Port, with the wind blowing as strongly as ever, were not to be denied. They recovered the lead in a sustained attack—despite desperate resistance by Glenelg in the rucks, where Crabb continued to hold out strongly.

With 13 points in hand, Port seemed safe. Then the storm made the game a hopeless scramble.

Port added two more goals in the 10 minutes that remained to win by 25 points.

Rucks show up

Port were an even side; their rucks were prominent in a game that did not favor the placed man.

Fos Williams roved strongly and was very alert and accurate in putting the ball into attack. He was well supported by T. Williams, who also scouted well near the goals.

Trowse and Whelan played well in the ruck, Trowse also getting three useful goals in the first half, after some fine marking.

Motley had a good share of the play at centre. Garland played an intelligent and efficient game at centre half-forward, ably supported by Coldwell and Jaggard on the flanks. Abley and Robinson defended well.

For Glenelg, Crabb was outstanding for a tireless and brilliant performance in ruck. Wilson roved very well.

Wickham had a brilliant first half and a useful second, finally falling over a stray dog which had plagued players all the afternoon and injuring his wrist.

Alf Bailey performed soundly at centre half-back; then lifted the centre line in the second half.

Potter followed usefully; Brian Wright defended solidly at full back and helped things later at full forward. Leahy and Marshall played useful games.

Best Players—Port: F. Williams, Motley, Trowse, Garland, Coldwell, Abley, Whelan, Glenelg: Crabb, Wilson, Wickham, A. Bailey, Potter, B. Wright, Leahy.

Scorers—Port: Trowse 3.2, T. Williams 2.3, Clift 2.1, F. Williams 1.2, Zucker 1.2, Garland 1.1, Zucker 1.1, Whelan 1.0, Stevens 0.1, Thompson 0.1, rushed 0.3, Glenelg: Rundle 3.1, Potter 2.1, Murphy 1.2, B. Wright 1.1, Hewett 1.0, Wilson 1.0, Crabb 0.4, Leahy 0.1.

Replacements—Laffin (Glenelg, knee injury, replaced by Leahy in first quarter; B. Wright (Glenelg), pulled thigh muscle, by Black, last quarter; Hayes (Port), injured knee, by Sawford, last quarter.

TODAY'S FOOTBALL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
TORRENS	5-7	6-12	10-22	10-26	86
STURT	1-0	7-6	7-7	9-8	62

Goalkickers — TORRENS: Adams, W. Hank, Chown (each 2), Clingly, Loades, Parham, Tucker. STURT: Caust, Halbert, Machell (each 2), Martin, Kotaras, J. Tester.

Best Players—TORRENS: Coverlid, W. Hank, Loades, Graham, Head, Clingly, Adams, Slaven. STURT: Freundt, May, Halbert, Harris, Hunter, Rattigan, Green.

PORT	3-1	7-10	8-12	12-17	89
GLENELG	3-6	3-6	9-9	9-10	64

Goalkickers—PORT: Trowse (3), T. Williams, Clift (2), Garland, Jaggard, Whelan, F. Williams, Zucker. GLENELG: Rundle (3), Potter (2), Hewett, Murphy, Wilson, Wright.

Best Players—PORT: F. Williams, Motley, Trowse, Garland, Coldwell, T. Williams, Jaggard. GLENELG: Crabb, Wilson, Wickham, A. Bailey, B. Wright, Potter, Leahy.

NORTH	5-4	6-6	8-11	9-14	68
NORWOOD	1-1	3-6	5-7	8-11	59

Goalkickers — NORTH: K. Carroll, Lindner (each 2), McKenzie, Vaughan, Hunter, W. Blunden, Griffin. NORWOOD: Skinner, Fosdike, Walker, Taylor, Liebelt, Vivian, Marriott, Young.

Best Players—NORTH: Lindner, Dunn, Hewett, McCann, Griffin, Bunton, Weston. NORWOOD: Reimann, Young, Ellis, Fosdike, Taylor, Nicholls, Marriott.

WEST	3-1	8-12	10-12	10-18	78
SOUTH	4-6	4-7	8-10	10-11	71

Best Players—WEST: Thomas, Cannon, Brown, Wright, Eglinton, Williams, Costello. SOUTH: Panizza, Hewitt, Haussen, Polden, Parham, Richards, Farrelly.

Goalkickers — WEST: Phipps (3), Wright (2), Brown, A'Court, Williams, Benton, Richardson. SOUTH: Richards (3), Haussen (2), Farrelly, Bourke, Mortimer, Bailantyne, Panizza.

Umpire for WA game

Victorian umpire Jack McMurray will have charge of the game between WA and SA in Perth next Saturday.

Harry Beitzel was the umpire from Victoria when WA played in Adelaide on June 25.

Neutral umpires are now used in all interstate games.