

• Bays suffer first defeat, but . . .

# PORT BLAST TO VICTORY

By DOUG STEELE



**Port remain the only unbeaten team in league football after their 55-point win over Sturt at Alberton Oval today.**

**The only other unbeaten team until today was Glenelg, who went under to North by 34 points.**

## First win

West had their first win for the season. A lapse in South's defence in the second quarter which allowed Peter Phipps to kick four quick goals, was largely responsible for their defeat. After that, West full of confidence, lifted their game and attacked at will.

## Wally May in — and off

Sturt and former State ruckman Wally May will probably miss next Saturday's game because of an injury he received playing in Sturt's Seconds today. May had to leave the field with a pulled muscle five minutes after the start of the second quarter. He hurt the leg while stretching out for the ball in the first quarter. May will be treated at the clubrooms tomorrow morning but he said tonight it was doubtful if he would be fit to play next week. It depended on a medical examination tomorrow. May played in his first game for the season today. A concussion injury in the last trial game kept him out of the first three league games.

## TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

GROUNDS: Firm and fast.

North	2-5	6-10	10-10	14-17	101
Glenelg	4-2	5-3	8-7	10-7	67

**BEST PLAYERS.—NORTH:** Bubner, Blunden, Tanner, Lindner, Sheppard, Yates, Trenorden. **GLENELG:** Wilson, Richens, Bone, Edwards, Wright, Davies, Baillie.

**SCORERS.—NORTH:** Bubner 4.1, Whitford 3.2, Trenorden 2.2, Tanner 2.2, Lynch 1.3, Sheppard 1.2, Brown 1.1, Lindner 0.2, Rogerson 0.1, Yates 0.1. **GLENELG:** Richens 4.2, Fraser 3.0, Wright 2.0, Wilson 1.0, Davies 0.2, May 0.1, Rocher 0.1, rushed 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.—NORTH:** Lynch (bruised leg) replaced by Smythe in last quarter. **GLENELG:** Flew (thigh and hand) replaced by Branson in last quarter. Hewett (knee) replaced by Crowder in last quarter.

**REPORTS.—GLENELG:** Wilson reported by boundary umpire T. G. Pollard for allegedly striking an opponent in the first quarter.

Norwood	2-1	7-7	10-8	16-11	107
Torrens	4-5	4-5	8-7	15-9	99

**BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD:** Nicholls, Aish, Young, Fosdike, Butler, Reimann, Dickson, Olds. **TORRENS:** Ashby, Livesey, Roberts, Cunningham, Taylor, Jones, Head, Keane.

**SCORERS.—NORWOOD:** Dickson 4.2, Fosdike 3.0, Vivian 3.0, Johnson 1.4, Young 1.2, Hoffman 1.1, Skinner 1.1, Nicholls 1.0, Couch 1.0, Keenihan 0.1. **TORRENS:** Jones 4.2, Taylor 4.2, Oehme 2.0, Ray Hank 1.1, Cunningham 1.0, Bob Hank 1.0, Head 1.0, Coleman 1.0, Clingly 0.2, Livesey 0.2.

**REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD:** Aish (knee) replaced by Weisner in last quarter. **TORRENS:** Coleman (bruised knee) replaced by Curtis in second quarter.

West	3-0	10-3	13-7	20-9	129
South	2-2	5-5	7-9	11-10	76

**BEST PLAYERS.—WEST:** Hewitt, Phipps, Benton, Kerley, A'Court, Day, Bray. **SOUTH:** Deane, Arthur, D. Kimber, Peucker, Christie, Mortimer, Guy.

**SCORERS.—WEST:** Phipps 10.2, Bray 3.0, Day 2.2, McKay 2.1, Wright 2.1, A'Court 1.1, Williams 0.2. **SOUTH:** Peucker 3.3, Judd 2.1, Atkins 1.2, Christie 1.1, Yates 1.0, Fitzgerald 1.0, Adams 1.0, Richards 1.0, Kitchen 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**REPLACEMENTS.—WEST:** McKay (cramp) replaced by Braid in last quarter. Benton (exhaustion) replaced by Rossetto in last quarter. Eglinton (ankle) left ground in last quarter. **SOUTH:** Richards (probable broken finger) replaced by Lapins in last quarter.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	5-2	13-6	17-11	24-15	159
Sturt	3-4	5-5	11-7	16-8	104

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**SCORERS.—PORT:** Sawford (6.2), Johns (4.2), Obst (3.3), Trowse (3.1), T. Williams (3.0), Jaggard (1.3), Thompson, Zucker (each 1.1), Garland, Motley (each 1.0), Whelan (0.2). **STURT:** Phillips (6.0), Heath (3.2), Ludlow (2.1), Hocking (2.0), Rattigan, Pike (1.1), Marshall (1.0), Goodchild (0.2), Halbert (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS.—PORT:** Boyd (ankle injury) replaced by Hawke in third quarter. **STURT:** Kutcher (knee) replaced by Green in last quarter. Freundt (elbow) replaced by Cottle in last quarter.

**HIGHEST** Port 24.15 (158 pts.) **LOWEST** Glenelg 10.7 (67 pts.)

	Points		Prem.	%		
	W.	L.				
Port	4	—	460	293	8	61
Glenelg	3	1	389	302	6	57.1
North	3	1	314	295	6	51.5
Norwood	3	1	329	334	6	49.6
Torrens	2	2	386	357	4	51.9
West	1	3	349	345	2	50.2
Sturt	—	4	283	410	—	40.8
South	—	4	290	464	—	38.4

**LEADING GOALKICKERS**

	Today	Total
Phipps (West)	10	22
Johns (Port)	4	22
Sawford (Port)	6	15
Wright (Glenelg)	2	11
Abley (Glenelg)	—	11
Oehme (Torrens)	2	10
Ray Hank (Torrens)	1	10
Johnson (Norwood)	1	9

**ATTENDANCES**

Norwood	12,500
Prospect	9,300
Alberton	8,000
Adelaide	6,215
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,015</b>

Today's winners were West, who beat South, Norwood, who beat Torrens, Port and North.

High scores were registered in all league games today played under almost perfect weather conditions.

Port and Sturt between them kicked 40 goals and the lowest scoring match was between North and Glenelg, who kicked a total of 24 goals.

## Pair equal

Peter Phipps, West's goalsneak, turned in a brilliant goal-getting performance to kick 10 to share the lead in the goalkicking competition with Port forward, Rex Johns.

The pair have each kicked 22 goals in the four games they have played.

**Norwood, who extended the undefeated Port last week, caused the surprise this week with their win over the well-fancied Torrens.**

Torrens got to within seven points of Norwood early in the last quarter. But Norwood's rucks and rovers held sway and this, coupled with the fine form of Peter Aish, at centre

half-back, was enough to give them the winning edge.

Their win sent them to fourth place on the premiership table at the expense of Torrens, who dropped to fifth.

## Fought hard

At Alberton Oval, Port's ruck supremacy and their more confident ball handling and superior positional play allowed them to outclass Sturt.

Sturt fought all the way and in the third quarter temporarily took the upper hand to kick five goals.

**Two Sturt experiments paid off. Phillips as goalsneak got six goals without a miss. Don Harris at full back did well to keep star goalgetter, Rex Johns, down to four.**

At Prospect Oval, Glenelg's winning run was upset by the powerful rucks and the high flying and long drop kicking of centre half-forward Don Lindner, says The Mail football writer, Vic Johnson.

Glenelg rover Bill Wilson, one of their best players, was reported by boundary umpire T. G. Pillard for allegedly striking an opponent in the first quarter.

# Rucks big aid in North win

By VIC JOHNSON

**Aided by powerful rucks and grand high-marking by Lindner at centre half-forward, North gave Glenelg their first beating of the season at Prospect Oval today.**

The winning margin was 34 points.

Never unbalanced by the high-leaping Davies and the bustling May in the Tigers' rucks, Tanner, Bubner, Rogerson, and Iddswell always gave the North rovers an armchair ride to the ball.

But Wilson and Richens, the Glenelg pair, although playing well, had to fight hard for their kicks.

## Changed game

Then I thought Glenelg did little towards victory by leaving Butler at centre half-back in opposition to Lindner.

Butler is a good player, but he had little chance of defeating Lindner in the air. He concedes that player a good head start in height.

Lindner was not over-prominent in the first term, but in the second he altered the whole complexion of the game within five minutes.

In that burst North got three quick goals, two to Bubner and one to Lynch.

All were the result of Lindner's great marking and long, driving kicks into the goalmouth.

It surprised me to see Butler still at centre half-back. I thought they would be certain to swing Baillie, a much taller player, to that position.

Butler was left there, and Glenelg were down 15 points at the last change.

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Lindner was again the driving force for North in the last term.

North looked much better today than against Port.

Although Glenelg were convincingly defeated, I would not belittle them.

They are a team with distinct possibilities, served by fine rovers and good players in most positions. They will always be hard to beat.

Flew was included at half-forward right in the Bay team in place of Abley, injured ankle.

Davies and Rocher, the resting ruckmen, shared the goal front, and Robinson became the permanent full back. Reserves were Branson and Crowder.

## Great pace

Glenelg were too fast in the opening term for North, with Wilson very prominent roving and in attack, and Davies showing great pace all over the ground.

Blunden was a steadying influence in North's defence.

Hewitt had control of centre for Glenelg, and Marshall was clearly superior on his wing.

It took North 10 minutes to open their scoring—a point from Trenorden—and the Tigers had three goals on the board.

For a while in the second

quarter Lindner took complete charge, marking at will and driving goal-ward with terrific drop-kicks.

North took the lead. Glenelg's only answer was a goal and they trailed 13 points at half-time.

Glenelg were able to hold their own with North in the third term, but North had assumed supreme command in the packs.

Glenelg were never again able to regain their first-term confidence.

North had much the better of the last term. With Lindner clearly on top and driving the ball goalward with long drop-kicks, they soon got away to a winning margin.

## Bubner best

For the match North took 69 marks and Glenelg 47. Each team got 23 frees.

Bubner's fine display in ruck or when placed forward earned him first vote for North. Blunden with a grand defensive effort was next.

Others to do well were Tanner, Lindner, Shepherd, Yates, and Trenorden.

Wilson, with fine roving and position play, starred for Glenelg, with the fine little player Richens a close second. Others in the picture were Bone, Edwards, Wright, Davies, and Baillie.