

CHANGES IN 4 Redlegs go back in; Bays slide



By DOUG STEELE

Port's win over South and North's defeat by Torrens, today put the Magpies four points clear on the top of the league premiership table.

Glenelg have slipped from third position to fifth.

Norwood have come back into the four in fourth position just below Torrens, who have a percentage advantage.

North, Torrens, and Norwood have now won four of the six league games played this season.

Today's winners were West, against Sturt, at Adelaide Oval; Torrens, against North, at Thebarton; Port, against South at Alberton; and Norwood, against Glenelg at Glenelg Oval.

Bland reported

South ruckman Dave Bland was reported by umpire Dale for allegedly deliberately kicking Port ruckman, Deane Trowse, in the third quarter.

Today's game was Bland's second after missing two previous games through suspension.

Torrens' nine-point win over North, and West's easy defeat of Sturt, were highlights of today's games.

Torrens fought back for their win after trailing by four points at the last change.

The strength of both teams was in their defence, but Torrens had Mick Clingly to kick seven goals for them.

Had it not been for his ability to convert advantages, Torrens would have been in trouble.

Runaway win

North looked likely winners coming to the last quarter, but Bob Hank went to centre and the forwards were able to convert opportunities.

At Adelaide Oval, West's runaway victory was due to the complete dominance of the ruck and the centre and half-forward lines, particularly in the first quarter, says The Sunday Mail football writer, Vic Johnson.

West put on their match-winning lead in the first quarter, when they settled down to something like the form of last year which took them into the grand final.

At no stage of the game did a disappointing Sturt combination ever look like overtaking West.

It could be the win West have been waiting for to give them a lift.

Faulty play

At Glenelg Oval, Norwood's victory was due to their aerial supremacy and strong ruckwork.

In the first half, faulty play at the goalkick did not help Glenelg.

Then Norwood, with systematic play-on football, made "no game of it." In the last term they slammed home 8-1 while Glenelg were kept to 2-3.

Port's superior rucks and faster and more accurate forwards made the game against South merely a premiership percentage affair.

Port almost doubled South's score to win by 66 points. South did not look dangerous at any stage.

Port goalsneak Rex Johns kicked seven today to take over his role again as leading goalkicker.

TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

GROUNDS.—Firm and fast.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	2-4	6-8	7-8	11-11	77
North	2-2	5-7	7-12	9-14	68

BEST PLAYERS.—TORRENS: Ashby, Morrell, Clingly, Cunningham, Thorsen, Graham, Roberts. **NORTH:** Hewett, Gilbourne McCann, Trenorden, Barbary, Tanner, Tidswell.

SCORERS.—TORRENS: Clingly 7.3, Taylor 2.1, Cunningham 1.0, Teasdale 1.0, Head 0.2, Livesey 0.1, Bob Hank 0.1, Fischer 0.1, Rushed 0.2. **NORTH:** Griffin 3.1, Lindner 2.1, Sheppard 1.2, Trenorden 1.1, Brown 1.1, Bubner 1.1, Whitford 0.2, Hewett 0.1, Barbary 0.1, Tanner 0.1, Rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS.—TORRENS: Morrell (heavy knock), replaced by Tucker in last quarter. **NORTH:** Bubner (thigh), replaced by Lynch in third quarter.

REPORTS.—NORTH: Whitford reported by boundary umpire for allegedly deliberately striking an opponent in the third quarter.

West	8-3	11-4	16-7	18-12	120
Sturt	0-7	3-12	4-16	8-19	67

BEST PLAYERS.—WEST: Williams, Benton, A'Court, Wright, Brown, Bray, Tregenza. **STURT:** Goodchild, Ruckwell, Ellis, Oids, Phillips, Shanks, Sawley.

SCORERS.—WEST: Phipps 4.1, Tregenza 3.2, Williams 3.0, A'Court 3.0, Day 2.0, Bray 2.0, Brown 1.4, McKay 0.2, Lynch 0.1, Eglinton 0.1, Rushed 0.1. **STURT:** Phipps 2.2, Sawley 2.1, Heath 2.1, Goodchild 1.5, Oids 1.0, Freundt 0.2, Rattigan 0.2, Shanks 0.2, Dunn 0.1, Hocking 0.1, Ludlow 0.1, Rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS.—WEST: Benton (ankle), replaced by Slattery in last quarter. **STURT:** Sims (ankle), replaced by Sawley in second quarter. Dunn (knock in chest), replaced by Martin after half-time. Freundt left the field, fatigued in the last quarter.

Norwood	4-5	9-8	13-14	21-15	141
Glenelg	3-5	7-11	8-17	10-20	80

BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD: Walker, Koerner, Reimann, Kite, Butler, Johnson, Sawley. **GLENELG:** B. Wright, Bone, Davies, Hewett, Leahy, Edwards, Richens.

SCORERS.—NORWOOD: Walker 5.2, Johnson 4.2, Dickson 3.2, Kite 2.4, Vivian 2.1, Hoffman 2.0, Fosdike 1.1, Skinner 1.1, Koerner 1.0, Rushed 0.2. **GLENELG:** Wright 3.3, Richens 3.2, Robinson 2.0, Davies 1.1, Leahy 1.0, Abley 0.6, Edwards 0.2, Baillie 0.2, Fraser 0.1, Hewett 0.1, Rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD: Koerner (cramp), replaced by Edwards in last quarter. **GLENELG:** Butler (thigh injury), replaced by Hibberd, and Baldock (leg knock), by Fraser, both at three-quarter time.

REPORTS.—GLENELG: Baillie reported by central umpire T. Correll and boundary umpires B. J. Marron and B. A. Nichols for having allegedly struck Fosdike in face with open hand in last quarter.

Port	9-2	12-5	16-10	20-16	136
South	3-0	5-4	5-6	9-16	70

BEST PLAYERS.—PORT: Whelan, Obst, Motley, Sawford, Johns, Fos Williams, Zucker. **SOUTH:** Jones, Kitchen, Baker, Deane, Bland, Polden, Yates.

SCORERS.—PORT: Johns 7.5, F. Williams 3.2, Obst 3.0, Sawford 2.3, Tucker 2.0, Thompson 1.1, Whelan 1.0, Garland 1.0, T. Williams 0.1, Trowse 0.1, Kretschmer 0.1, Motley 0.1, Rushed 0.1. **SOUTH:** Bland 3.1, Judd 2.1, Christie 2.0, Yates 1.2, Baker 1.1, Kitchen 0.4, Peucker 0.2, Atkins 0.2, Deane 0.1, Rushed 0.2.

REPORTS.—SOUTH: Bland reported by central umpire Dale for allegedly deliberately kicking Port ruckman Dean Trowse in the third quarter.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	Points				Prem.	%
	W.	L.	For	Agst.		
Port	6	—	670	391	12	63.1
North	4	2	479	430	8	52.5
Torrens	4	2	514	474	8	52
Norwood	4	2	529	496	8	51.6
Glenelg	3	3	497	517	6	49
West	2	4	518	463	4	51.7
Sturt	1	5	432	589	2	42.3
South	—	6	418	697	—	37.4

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Total	
	Today	Total
Johns (Port)	7	31
Phipps (West)	4	29
Sawford (Port)	2	18
Wright (Glenelg)	3	15
Johnson (Norwood)	4	14
Judd (South)	2	13

NEXT WEEK'S MATCHES

South v. Norwood, at Adelaide Oval.
West v. Glenelg, at Kensington Oval.
North v. Sturt, at Prospect Oval.
Torrens v. Port, at Thebarton Oval.

Redlegs excel in rucks, air

By GIL LANGLEY

I thought aerial supremacy was the deciding factor in Norwood's best win against Glenelg at the Bay oval, and their ruckwork was also better.

Throughout the game Glenelg were no match at the centre bounces, or in their field play, against tight opposition.

The Bays looked a team only when the ball was in the open, but they never gained a distinct advantage.

Their score of 3-9 in the second half against Norwood's 12-7 for these two quarters speaks for itself.

It was no surprise to see the Redlegs winning at all points in the closing stages to get home by 61 points. In the last quarter they were really on the target, shooting 8-1.

After seeing Glenelg trounced in the air, even in the first half when they kept within scoring distance, I was surprised the Bays did not try something better in tactics to counter the disadvantage.

Weather conditions were ideal, but the start was marred by a lot of mis-handling by both sides. They seemed over-anxious in their efforts to regain lost prestige.

Summed up, Glenelg should have gone for spoiling in the second half, but they missed their chance, and weren't in the race.

I should like to mention Doug Olds' mighty effort in reaching his 200th league game today.

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Friend and foe alike admire his determination, football sense, and, above all, his disposal.

Umpire Correll's job today was not an easy one, but he always had control of the game and was consistent with his holding-the-ball interpretation.

Not so good was the action of one Glenelg player in clapping his hands within three feet of the umpire after receiving a free. This did no good either to the team or to himself.

I know supporters must be a bit one-eyed to be hard and fast barrackers, but the show turned on by some Glenelg fans today was not in the true tradition of Australian sport.

This belittles their players and their club and can do nothing but harm.

A happier feature of the game was the splendid kicking out from goal by the two full backs.

Norwood's teamwork was worthy of mention, but Glenelg were very patchy at times.

Considering the best players I would mention first Walker, for Norwood, with strong following and good goalkicking.

Koerner was very consistent at centre to beat Neil Davies. If only Koerner had better dis-

posal, he would be outstanding on the pivot.

Johnson impressed me as their full forward, winning his position on the day.

No one played better for Glenelg than Brian Wright, with a near-perfect game at centre half-forward.

Safe as always in a back pocket, Bone also starred, but the rest of the losing side fell away badly.

3 players reported

South ruckman Dave Bland was reported today by field umpire Dale for allegedly kicking Port ruckman Trowse in the third quarter of the Alberton Oval game.

It was Bland's second game after serving a two-match suspension imposed earlier in the season.

M. Whitford (North) was reported by a boundary umpire for allegedly deliberately striking a Torrens player in the last quarter at Thebarton Oval.

Ron Baillie, Glenelg half-back, was reported by three umpires for having allegedly struck Norwood rover Fosdike in the face with his open hand in the last quarter at Glenelg Oval.

The three will appear before the league tribunal early this week.