

# TOP 4 MOVE

## Redlegs go up; North now fourth

By DOUG STEELE

Norwood's hard-earned win over North at Norwood Oval today has sent them to second position, behind Port, on the league premiership table.

Port, with their 10-point win over West, are still unbeaten.

Other winners today were Sturt, by 25 points from South at Adelaide Oval, and Torrens, who scraped home by five



points from Glenelg at Thebarton Oval.

North have dropped from second to fourth and Torrens have moved into third position.

But the same teams are in the top four — Port, Norwood, Torrens, and North.

### Solid football

Norwood's condition played a big part in their win over North.

North played brilliant football, but their lead was snatched with only about 10 minutes left.

The Mail football writer, Vic Johnson, says North's early play was the most decisive football he has seen this season.

It had a purpose about it which, if maintained, would have made North hard to defeat.

But Norwood finished the stronger in the closing stages of a particularly hard-fought game.

### West switches

Norwood's revival took place when their rucks found power enough to

subdue a tired North combination.

Port ran to a 10-point win after West had got to within three points of them in the last term.

West switched Phipps to centre half-forward and Bray to goalsneak and this allowed them to outscore Port in the last quarter.

But Port's rovers regained control to give them enough drive for their win.

Port's kicking was astray. Many points came from set shots and through players not steadying themselves on the run.

Johns finished with six goals today and Phipps, four.

Sturt's win was due to greater accuracy at the goalkicking and superior ruckwork.

Sturt opened up a winning break in the third quarter which they maintained in spite of a spirited South attack.

"Candles" Thompson, in his return to SA football, was among Sturt's best after opening up stylishly.

Guy, in a back pocket for South, put himself well into State selection with another stylish game.

### Head clinched it

At Thebarton Oval the scores were tied for the greater part of the last quarter after Torrens had trailed all day.

Torrens took the lead with only minutes to go when Head's goal clinched the game to put Torrens five points in front.

Torrens' run was mainly due to Clingly's accurate goalkicking and the improved form of Lindsay Head, roving.

Morrell also gave Torrens a great lift with his control in ruck. But Wright, at centre half-forward, marking brilliantly, was Torrens' biggest single threat.

Clingly, with six goals today, moves up sharply on the goalkicking list to fourth position.

West full forward Peter Phipps, still heads the list with 43 from Port's Rex Johns, who has 39.

## TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

GROUNDS: Fast and hard.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	3-7	8-8	14-11	17-13	115
South	3-7	7-12	7-17	13-21	99

(At Adelaide Oval)

**BEST PLAYERS.—STURT:** Goodchild, Ellis, Thompson, Blows, Hocking, Harris. **SOUTH:** Guy, Peucker, Parkinson, Polden, Atkins, Jones.

**SCORERS.—STURT:** Harris (6.3), Thompson (3.2), Hocking (3.0), Goodchild (2.2), Blows (1.2), Olds (1.1), Phillips (1.0), Martin (0.1), rushed (0.2). **SOUTH:** Atkins (3.2), Peucker (2.6), Judd Yates (each 2.3), Slattery, Deane, Christie (each 1.1), Parham (1.0), Kitchen (0.2), Baker, Hewitt (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS.—STURT:** Hocking (heavy knock) replaced by Dunn at three-quarter time. May (cramp) replaced by Marshall in last quarter. **SOUTH:** D. Kimber (eye) replaced by Fitzgerald in third quarter. Deane (thigh) replaced by Farrelly in last quarter.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3-7	7-12	12-19	15-23	113
West	5-2	7-4	8-5	16-7	103

(At Alberton Oval)

**BEST PLAYERS.—PORT:** McDonald, Hayes, Johns, Garland, Jaggard, Obst, Zucker. **WEST:** Phipps, A'Court, Williams, Brown, Benton, Wright, Kerley.

**SCORERS.—PORT:** Johns (6.8), Zucker (2.0), Coldwell, Obst, Trowse (1.2), Jaggard (1.1), Garland, Thompson, Boyd (1.0), McDonald (0.4), T. Williams (0.3), Whelan (0.1). **WEST:** Phipps (4.3), Wright (0.0), Bray (2.1), McKay, Brown (2.0), Day (1.1), G. Williams (1.0), Lynch (0.1), Rushed (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS.—PORT:** Coldwell (cramp) replaced by McCarthy in last quarter. Boyd (thigh) replaced by Fabian in last quarter. **WEST:** Tregenza (cramp) replaced by Rossetto at three-quarter time.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	4-0	6-2	10-6	12-16	88
North	6-4	7-10	11-15	11-15	81

At Norwood Oval

**BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD:** Olds, Butler, Walker, Koerner, Dickson, Vivian, Reimann. **NORTH:** Gilbourne, Lindner, Barbary, W. Blunden, McKenzie, Tidswell, Stringer.

**SCORERS.—NORWOOD:** Johnson (2.3), Walker (2.1), Hoffman, Nicholls (2.0), Dickson (1.4), Vivian (1.3), Keenihan, Kite (1.0), Fosdike (0.3), Koerner (0.1), Rushed (0.1). **NORTH:** McKenzie (4.1), Lindner (3.4), Brown (2.1), Trenorden, W. Blunden (1.2), Griffin (0.2), Carter (0.1), Rushed (0.2).

**REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD:** Edwards (ankle) replaced by Liebelt in second quarter. Williams (bruised heel) replaced by Nelson after half-time. **NORTH:** Carter (heavy knock) replaced by Smythe in third quarter. W. Blunden (cramp) replaced by Edwards in last quarter.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	5-3	7-9	11-14	14-19	103
Glenelg	5-3	10-5	12-9	14-14	98

(At Thebarton Oval)

**BEST PLAYERS.—TORRENS:** Morrell, Livesey, Clingly, Head, Cunningham, Caire, Roberts, Bob Hank. **GLENELG:** B. Wright, Davies, Abley, Wilson, Hewett, Fraser, May, Milbank.

**SCORERS.—TORRENS:** Clingly (6.2), Taylor (2.5), Head (1.5), Livesey (1.2), Caire (1.1), Teasdale, Cunningham, Ray Hank (1.0), Morrell, Fisher, Townsend (1.0), Rushed (0.1). **GLENELG:** Abley (3.6), Wilson (2.3), Richens (2.2), Milbank (2.1), McLeod, Wright (2.0), Fraser (1.2).

**REPLACEMENTS.—TORRENS:** Oatway (bruised heel) replaced by Keane at end of third quarter. **GLENELG:** May (ankle and shin) replaced by Hibberd in last quarter.

### HIGHEST

League — Sturt 17-13 (115)

Seconds — Norwood 17-16 (118)

### LOWEST

League — North 11-15 (81)

Seconds — South 6-13 (49)

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	7	—	1	862	573	15	60.69
Norwood	6	2	—	709	668	12	51.48
Torrens	5	2	1	696	651	11	51.67
North	5	3	—	654	573	10	53.30
West	3	5	—	789	668	6	54.15
Glenelg	3	5	—	687	788	6	46.58
Sturt	2	6	—	602	782	4	43.42
South	—	8	—	609	904	—	40.21

# EAGLES DOWN PLUCKY BAYS

By JOHN MEHAFFEY

Torrens defeated Glenelg by five points in a tense exciting finish at Thebarton Oval today.

Glenelg played magnificently, and were unlucky to lose.

Although with a weakened side, they combined effectively throughout.

With about three minutes left, Wright, after marking, foolishly hand-passed on instead of going back to take his kick, and the ball was rushed forward for Torrens to goal.

Glenelg's more direct, purposeful football towards goal was good and their high, well-directed kicking to Wright at half-forward always gave them a direct passage to goal.

This contrasted sharply with Torrens' short muddling, over-confident football, especially in the first half.

Torrens were trying to bypass the rock-like defence of Davies at centre half-back, and their shooting out wide to the flanks, and kicking into the pockets, made for negative football.

Scoring from the pockets is hard, but Torrens persisted in trying to score this way.

From half-way through the first quarter until half-time, Glenelg put on seven goals.

Some were from doubtful frees but this threatened breakaway brought a

determined Torrens combination back on the field after half-time.

### Off target

Aerial supremacy in practically all parts of the field subjected the Torrens defence to terrific pressure. Glenelg, right off the target, kicked four points straight in the vital third quarter.

Clingly, a footballer of class, who can often out-mark two opponents, finds it hard when crowded by his own ruckmen.

It was not until he led away from his ruckmen and the opposition big boys that he was able to give the Eagles a reliable spearhead.

Wilson and Fraser roved well for Glenelg and invariably forced the ball forward, where Wright and Abley were marking well.

### Anyone's game

Ashby shifted himself off Wright in the second quarter, and brought Roberts out from full back to oppose him.

This move was successful, but after half-time Ashby was back on Wright.

At the last change, when Glenelg led by a point, the

stage was set for a terrific finish—and it was just that.

With the scores locked; first one side leading, then the other, it was anyone's game.

However, when Head goaled with a dropkick to give Torrens a five-point lead, Glenelg were unable to score again and they went down honorably.

Morrell was Torrens' best player.

He was the only big man to mark consistently for Torrens all day.

He had to rest at full forward in the last quarter, because of a hip injury, and Clingly had a run in ruck.

Livesey played the half-forward position cleverly.

### Speed returns

Clingly led intelligently and marked well all day.

Head roved well and showed a welcome return of speed and ball control.

Cunningham and Townsend rucked well and Caire was the best wingman.

Best of the others were Roberts, Bob Hank, and Teasdale.

Wright played his position perfectly and showed uncanny judgment when marking.

Davies was fast, tireless, and cleared consistently all day.

Abley kicked three goals, and when in ruck did well. He leaps high and has a sure pair of hands.

Wilson and Fraser roved with consistency while Hewett, at centre, did much to set Glenelg going.

Others to do well were May, Milbank, and Hawker.

### TROPHIES presented

today at Thebarton Oval went to: Torrens.

—Clingly, Head, Morrell, and Teasdale, Glenelg.

—Wright Davies, Abley, Hewett, Wilson, and Fraser.

### GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Phipps (West)	4-3	43-21
Johns (Port)	6-8	39-31
Abley (Glenelg)	3-6	19-19
Clingly (Torrens)	6-2	19-9
Johnson (Norwood)	2-3	18-15
Sawford (Port)	—	18-14
B. Wright (Glenelg)	—	18-9

### ATTENDANCES

Alberton	14,000
Norwood	13,000
Adelaide	9,500
Thebarton	7,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>44,000</b>

### NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

#### SATURDAY

North v. Port, at Prospect.

Sturt v. Glenelg, at Adelaide.

Torrens v. South, at Kensington.

#### MONDAY

West v. Norwood, at Adelaide.