

FOURTH PLACE COMPLEX

TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

GROUNDS: Heavy

At Adelaide Oval

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3-3	7-5	9-11	12-11	83
South	1-2	3-6	4-9	5-14	44

BEST PLAYERS — NORTH: Hewett, Stringer, Whitford, Gilbourne, Tanner, Gambling, McCann. SOUTH: Kitchen, Parkinson, Christie, Jones, Lapins, Parham, Kimber.

SCORERS — NORTH: Lynch, Whitford (each 3.1), Carter (2.3), Hewett (1.2), Lindner, Trenorden (1.1), Tanner (1.0), Barbary (0.1), rushed (0.1). SOUTH: Fulwood (2.0), Christie (1.2), Guy, Baraglia (1.0), Parham (0.4), Blum, Judd (0.2), Browne, Kimber, Richards (each 0.1), rushed (0.1).

REPLACEMENTS — SOUTH: Baraglia (leg injury) replaced by Roennfelt in last quarter. NORTH: nil.

At Kensington Oval

West	5-1	8-3	11-6	14-7	91
Port	3-0	6-6	8-8	11-12	78

BEST PLAYERS—WEST: G. Williams, Wundke, Eustice, A'Court, Wright, Roach, Hewitt. PORT: Hannaford, Key, Motley, Kretschmer, F. Williams, Whelan, Thompson.

SCORERS — WEST: Wundke (4.1), Wright (2.2), McGregor, Brown (2.0), Roach, Johnson, Richardson (1.1), Fraser (1.0), rushed (0.1). PORT: Hannaford (5.1), McBain (2.4), Obst (2.2), Whelan (1.1), Zucker (1.0), F. Williams, Hayes (0.2).

REPLACEMENTS — PORT: Doyle (leg injury) replaced by Luke in last term. WEST: Wundke (concussion) replaced by Ryan; Eglinton (ankle injury) by Pfitzner, both last term.

At Glenelg Oval

Glenelg	5-3	9-8	10-9	11-12	78
Sturt	3-2	4-5	7-8	11-9	75

BEST PLAYERS — GLENELG: Richens, Peek, Hewett, Baillie, Linke, Fraser, Davies. STURT: Harris, Dunn, Pridmore, Jackson, Blows, Hocking, Bruce.

SCORERS — GLENELG: Fraser, Hewett (3.3), Richens (3.2), Roach (1.1), Flew (1.0), Edwards (0.1), rushed (0.2). STURT: Freundt, Hocking (each 2.2), Dunn (2.0), Rattigan, Blows (1.1), Marshall, Shanks, Goodchild (1.0), Shapter, Sawley, rushed (0.1).

REPLACEMENTS — GLENELG: Alexander (thigh) replaced by Hawker in first quarter. STURT: Nil.

At Thebarton Oval

Torrens	0-1	8-6	10-9	16-15	111
Norw'd	5-3	10-4	12-9	12-11	83

BEST PLAYERS — TORRENS: Clingly, Livesey, Graham, Head, Morrell, Slaven. NORWOOD: Minervini, Aish, Swanbury, Salotti, Nicholls, Miller.

SCORERS — TORRENS: Clingly (7.2), Head (2.2), Coleman (2.0), Edwards (1.3), Taylor (1.2), Morrell (1.1), Livesey, Temby (1.0), Teasdale (0.2), Russell (0.1) rushed (0.2). NORWOOD: Nicholls, Dickson (2.2), Vivian (2.1), Couch, Wedding (2.0), Bunton, Salotti (1.0), Sawley (0.2), Miller, Swanbury, Kneebone, D. Butler (0.1).

REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD: Parker (ankle) replaced by D. Butler (first quarter); Salotti (leg) by McMahon (last quarter). TORRENS: Nil.

PREMIERSHIP

	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
North	15	1	—	1554	1049	30	59.70
West	13	3	—	1567	1214	26	56.35
Port	11	5	—	1468	1094	22	57.30
Torrens	6	9	1	1209	1377	13	46.75
Norw'd	5	10	1	1160	1424	11	44.89
South	5	10	1	1074	1338	11	44.53
Glenelg	5	11	—	1214	1409	10	46.28
Sturt	2	13	1	1228	1569	5	43.90

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Wright (West)	2.2	16	42.36
Rocher (Glenelg)	1.1	15	36.12
Head (Torrens)	2.2	14	32.21
Kerley (West)	—	15	30.22
Johns (Port)	—	6	30.7
Taylor (Torrens)	1.2	15	29.24
Sheppard (North)	—	10	29.18
Judd (South)	0.2	15	28.30
Fraser (Glenelg)	3.3	15	28.26
Williams, F. (Port)	0.2	13	26.41
Vivian, Norwood	2.1	14	26.25
Boyd (Port)	—	13	26.13

ATTENDANCES

Kensington	11,000
Adelaide	10,900
Thebarton	7,800
Glenelg	3,500
Total	33,200

Lindsay Head, Torrens and carnival rover, has won Griff's £100 trophy—with two league football series to play.

Head has polled 16 votes—six ahead of Ron Kitchen (South) and Geoff Motley (Port).

John Halbert (Sturt) is in fourth position with nine votes.

Head has been a consistent leader for the bio trophy.

Two points are awarded for the best player in the eight league teams each week. A second vote is worth one point.

The award is for the season's best and fairest player based on weekly points by The Sunday Mail football writers.

SPENDING more time on the ball than usual. Glenelg full forward Ray Rocher missed out on his customary ration of three goals against Sturt today.

However, his exhibition in ruck, particularly during the first half, was good, in the Colin Smith style of leaping early to spoil the opposition.

THE strong crosswind at Glenelg today played tricks with players' judgment.

Several times the ball appeared to be going well out of bounds from a kick towards the boundary, only to swing back in the wind yards inside the line.

GLENELG trophies today went to Colin Richens, Max Peek, and Milton Edwards.

4 teams still in battle for finals berth



By RAY BARBER

Although Torrens took undisputed fourth place in today's league football, the composition of the final four is still complex.

Four teams—Torrens, Norwood, South, Glenelg—are still in the race for fourth place.

Only three points separate Torrens (fourth) and Glenelg (seventh) with two series to play.

Next week's games may finally settle the issue with Torrens and South opposed at Adelaide.

A win to Torrens—whose form suggests such a result—would give Torrens 15 points.

That would provide a margin of four premierships points that could not be reached with the last game of the minor round next Saturday week.

Torrens, present clear occupant of fourth place with a margin of two points over Norwood and South—and four over Glenelg—must be considered favorite to hold fourth place.

Torrens, playing South at Adelaide and Sturt at Unley, have the most favorable draw of the four teams in the fight for fourth position in the remaining two rounds.

By defeating Port today, West hold second position by four points (two games) over Port (third).

It now seems certain North and West will play in the second semi-final, which gives them a double chance at the title.

The fight for the final four has probably maintained interest longer than in any previous season.

It would be possible for Glenelg (seventh) with 10 points to still get in the four by winning their two remaining matches and finishing with 14 points.

But Torrens would have to lose their two remaining

matches, and South and Norwood to lose one.

Vic Johnson, who covered the West-Port game at Kensington, was greatly impressed by the first quarter of West when they scored 5-1. This gave them an early break—held until the final siren.

West, says Johnson, had a brilliant half-forward line in Wundke and Roach and a damaging rover in Wright to give them that auspicious start.

West's speed was evident in many instances of devastating handball made effective by the man going past.

At Thebarton, Torrens wore down Norwood, conceding 12 points at three-quarter time and with last use of an advantageous breeze.

Breeze worth goals

Jeff Pash, who saw the game said the breeze was worth five goals a quarter.

Mick Clingly, giving Torrens his best, kicked seven goals to be the spearhead who swung the balance.

Norwood were right in the game early when, after kicking five goals with the breeze, they kicked another five in the second quarter against it.

The Eagles' centreline—and Head and Livesey as extra rovers—gave the means of constant attack over the closing stages.

At Adelaide Oval, North led from start to finish against a South who were without a competent attack.

Gil Langley, who was at the game, put North's suc-

cess down to a consistent attack aided by winning rucks.

North began poorly by

getting only 3-3 with the breeze in the first term.

When it was South's turn, there was no player in front of centre able to produce the drive necessary for close scores at half-time.

Glenelg Oval produced the closest game of the day with the home side beating Sturt by three points.

But at half-time Glenelg led by 33 points.

According to Sam Gallagher, Glenelg virtually won the game in the first half when they won across centre, had Hewett in command at half-forward left and a tight defence.

It was the Glenelg defence that finally held off a Sturt comeback.

Bays hold off battling Sturt

By SAM GALLAGHER

Outscored seven goals to two in the second half, Glenelg had just enough strength left to hold Sturt three points away in an exciting finish at the Bay today.

Sturt played the first half like a side well aware that the vulgar scramble for a place in the four no longer held any interest for them.

From the impetus provided by Davies' power at centre, Glenelg attacked with confidence for most of the first two quarters. Thereafter, their game went into a gradual decline that very gradually led them the match.

Both sides were forced to make changes to their selected teams before the game started.

Thompson (infected leg) was replaced by Jackson for Sturt and Milbank went into Glenelg's first ruck, when May's leg injury kept him out.

Winning the balance of power early across centre, where Davies and Peek were in control, Glenelg had 4-3 on the board to Sturt's two points.

Rucks even

There was no decisive advantage in ruck, but the Bay rovers Richens and Fraser quickly seized the opportunities from centre. The rovers scored four of the team's five goals for the term.

The other goal was kicked by Hewett, who was Glenelg's most consistent forward, quieter after a brilliant second quarter, but always useful.

Sturt were struggling to get moving against the greater speed of the Bays. They gave away too many frees for interference.

Late in the quarter, Dunn infused some life into Sturt's game, but with Goodchild out of touch at centre half-forward, and

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Baillie and Linke giving nothing away on the flanks, the game was still in the Tigers' control.

Davies at centre gave Halbert hardly a touch until late in the second quarter and the Bay defence rarely permitted intrusion beyond half-back.

Only Harris's great defence at full back prevented Glenelg from being ahead by more than their 33 point lead at half-time.

Sturt switch

Sturt switched V Little to oppose Hewett after half-time. From this stage onwards Glenelg did not play with the same dash.

Sturt's rucks began to take a share of the field play. Davies was much less effective at centre for Glenelg and Pridmore, after a useful first half, became an attacking avenue through centre wing.

The Bay defence was still sound but the initiative was slipping away.

After about five minutes inconclusive wrangling in Sturt's forward pocket at the start of the last quarter, Shanks dashed clear from centre wing to goal from an angle and interest quickened.

Glenelg still seemed to be in charge but Halbert suddenly found touch overhead and the Blues immediately became a danger.

Goodchild looked a little less like a player in need of a run and quick thinking by Blows on the western boundary put Freundt in possession for the goal that left Sturt two points away.

They came again but Baillie stopped them right

on the line. Some timely marking further afield by Glenelg and Richens fine finishing effort saved the day.

Richens' elusive roving was one of the chief factors in Glenelg's win. He started with great dash and was on hand when the side badly needed punch in the closing minutes.

Peek at centre wing beat a good player in Shanks. He used his pace to advantage and marked well. Only his disposal left something to be desired.

Used pace

Hewett played the half-forward flank with polish and effect. Baillie and Linke on the half-back flanks combined brilliance and dependability while Fraser and Davies also played well.

Sturt had few good players in the first half. Harris was outstanding and Dunn provided some badly needed fire to Sturt's lifeless attack.

These two maintained their games throughout. Pridmore was Sturt's only consistent winner across centre, his game improving throughout the day.

Blows did his best work in ruck, in the second half and Jackson, a similar type to Blows, showed promise both in ruck and defence.

Umpire Whitford was too harsh on the player making a genuine attempt at disposal on being tackled. Several times he penalised the man in possession, seemingly because the ball was not in fact punched or kicked away.