

# SETBACK TO BAYS' FINAL 4 CHANCE

By SAM GALLAGHER

Glenelg's bid to join the top four received a setback today when they were defeated by Norwood at the Bay Oval.

Torrens, beaten decisively by Port, drop to fourth position, but are still one game ahead of Glenelg and Norwood, equal fifth.

With an easy win over North Adelaide, Sturt move up to third place.

West, untroubled today by South, hold their position, second to Port, and well clear from the scramble to make the finals.

Although beaten by Norwood, Glenelg have another chance in the next series to draw level with Torrens.

The Bays will meet South at Kensington and should win, while Torrens are drawn against Sturt at Adelaide.

## Struggle for Torrens

Torrens have now lost three of their last four games, and will be struggling to re-establish themselves as a major round contender.

At their previous meeting with Sturt at Thebarton, the Eagles won by 84 points. That is not likely to happen again. In that game Fitzgerald was below his best.

He is playing now at the top of his form—he got eight goals today—and Torrens will have to stop him from making position unattended in attack to have a chance of winning.

Sturt's other match-winner, Thompson, will be

well matched by Morrell, and the game could well be decided by the rovers.

Torrens have an advantage in this department, and this should see them narrowly in front at the finish.

Glenelg's inaccuracy cost them the game against Norwood. As against Torrens, the Bays turned on a powerful last quarter, but this time kicked behinds instead of goals.

From 20 scoring shots after half-time, the Tigers could manage only three goals, and went down by 14 points to the failing Redlegs.

There was little to enthuse about in the Redleg-Tiger game, and both sides need to improve considerably to be a major danger.

As a result of their win, Norwood have drawn a game nearer to the top four, but their glimpse of the leaders will probably be a brief one.

The Redlegs play Port at Alberton next week.

The Magpies left no doubt about their superiority with a 67-point margin over Torrens at Thebarton today.

Vic Johnson, who saw

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# Football Lift Out

this game, reports that Port's centre line held sway for most of the day, and their attack functioned with smooth power to take them away in the end to a big win.

Dittmar got the season's biggest bag with 10 goals. He had 2-4 at one stage, and then kicked eight goals from nine shots to finish with 10-5.

At Unley, North had no answer to the power generated by Thompson and Fitzgerald, according to Gil Langley.

North were unfortunate to lose McCann and Woore in the first half, and although they finished strongly, the result was never in doubt.

## Teamwork and dash

After an even first quarter at Adelaide Oval, West gradually established their supremacy over South.

Jeff Ash who saw this game, said that once the ball hit the ground, South were unable to cope with West's speed and teamwork.

West meet North at Richmond, next week, and their teamwork and dash should be too much for the unbalanced Red-and-Whites.

ATTENDANCES	
Thebarton	12,000
Glenelg	11,000
Unley	8,500
Adelaide	7,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,800</b>

# REDLEGS HELD ON STRONGLY

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Surviving a determined finish by Glenelg, Norwood won by 14 points at the Bay Oval to keep alive their hopes of making the final four.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts
Norw'd	3-4	6-10	11-10	12-12	84
Glenelg	3-2	5-5	6-12	8-22	70

Glenelg's inaccurate kicking cost them the game.

They kicked 2-10 to Norwood's 1-2 in the last quarter to let a ragged Norwood take the points.

The game was hard-fought, but full of errors. Leading by 28 points at three-quarter time, the Redlegs seemed to have the game sewn up, but Glenelg stormed in attack.

The Bays should have hit the front early in the last quarter. They peppered the northern goal—for eight behinds in a row.

By the time Branson kicked their first goal for the term, the fury of the Bays' onslaught was slackening, and Norwood were able to get into attack to score the deciding goal.

## Challenged

At no stage did Norwood's big men exert the influence expected.

They were strongly challenged in the first half by Alexander and Webber, and in the second Branson came into his own.

Norwood were not long able to persist with Wedding at centre half-forward.

After the first quarter he was back in ruck, with Lill taking over at centre half-forward.

Only when Wedding was in ruck were Norwood able to get the ball away clearly from the bounces.

Nicholls' best work was done in the field, where

he marked grandly, especially in the last quarter, but Pope had a lean day.

Apart from the solid effort of their rucks, Glenelg had Herron and Edwards going well on the wings.

Cousins at centre, gave Norwood considerable drive in the first half, however.

After half-time Herron went to half-forward right, where he continued to play well, but generally Glenelg, like Norwood, were unimpressive ahead of centre.

Pemberton's duei with Kneebone was one of the few highlights of a drab game.

Honors were about even—Kneebone in control once the ball hit the



Herron Aish

ground and Pemberton always a danger when the ball came in high.

Don Hewett was unable to get into the game for a long time. He had several spells on the ball, and finished the match at centre.

It was not one of his best days.

Norwood were no better served on the half-forward flanks. They lacked the dash to get clear from the close-checking Butler, who was seldom beaten, and the tigerish Linke, who finished in great style.

Glenelg's switch of Herron to half-forward strengthened that line, but let Minervini control one wing for Norwood in the second half.

The Bays' inaccuracy plagued them from half-time on.

From eight shots in the third quarter they got only one goal, while Norwood, going through Lill at centre half-forward, kicked five without a miss.

Norwood finished badly. Only some timely marking by Nicholls and a battling defence enabled the Redlegs to make the most of Glenelg's inaccuracy.

## Aish stars

Branson set the Bays moving from centre, and Richens showed his best form for the day to give the forwards a host of opportunities which went begging.

Aish played strongly from start to finish at full back for the winners.

Nicholls was in the right places in a shaky last quarter; Minervini won his wing in the second half; and Kneebone was generally reliable at centre half-back.

Herron, at centre wing, and then at half-forward, for Glenelg, played consistently good football.

Butler's dash and judgment closed one half-forward flank. Webber was the most consistent of the rucks and got four good goals and Hill (full back) gave little away.

GLENELG rover Graham Fraser, out of the side since June 6 with a broken thumb, will have the plaster removed from his hand on Tuesday.

Fraser hopes to return to the team for the Port Adelaide game on July 25.

# Today's details at a glance

## CONDITIONS: Good

### At Thebarton Oval

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-0	9-7	11-8	20-12	132
Torrens	3-3	4-3	8-4	10-5	65

**SCORERS—PORT:** Dittmar (10.5), Boyd (2.1), Williams (2.1), Cahill (2.1), Potter (2.0), Luke (1.1), Tull (1.0), Obst (0.2), Rushed (0.1). **TORRENS:** Clingly (4.3), Head (1.0), Edwards (1.0), Fischer (1.0), Vaux (1.0), Griffiths (1.0), Landers (1.0), Zerella (0.1), Morrell (0.1).

**BEST PLAYERS—PORT:** Dittmar, Motley, Boyd, Tierney, Hayes, Blagrove, Cahill. **TORRENS:** Morrell, Hine, Russell, Zerella, Townsend, Edwards, Vaux.

**REPLACEMENTS—TORRENS:** R. Morrell (high injury), replaced by J. Bills in last term. D. Russell (leg injury), replaced by L. Bradley in last term. G. Glenn (sickness) replaced by L. Griffiths before the game began.

### At Glenelg Oval

Norwood	3-4	6-10	11-10	12-12	84
Glenelg	3-2	5-5	6-12	8-22	70

**BEST PLAYERS—NORWOOD:** Aish, Nicholls, Minervini, Kneebone, Vivian, Wedding, Swanbury. **GLENELG:** Herron, Butler, Webber, Hill, Pemberton, Edwards, Branson.

**SCORERS—NORWOOD:** Barratt (2.1), Nicol (2.1), Cousins (2.1), Kite (1.2), Lill (1.1), Wedding (1.1), Vickers (1.0), Vivian (1.0), Minervini (1.0), Wells (0.1), Rushed (0.4). **GLENELG:** Webber (4.3), Kernahan (2.2), Herron (1.2), Branson (1.0), Pemberton (0.3), Dickinson (0.3), Richens (0.2), Hewett (0.2), Peek (0.1), Edwards (0.1), Alexander (0.1), Rushed (0.2).

**REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD:** Kite (gashed head) replaced by Ralston in second term; Barratt (concussion) replaced by Rumbelow in third term. **GLENELG:** Peek replaced by Slattery in last term.

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	9	1	1077	673	18	61.54
West	8	2	1003	706	16	58.69
Sturt	6	4	1058	938	12	53.01
Torrens	5	5	880	830	10	51.46
Glenelg	4	6	872	974	8	47.24
Norwood	4	6	839	1011	8	45.35
South	3	7	708	957	6	42.52
North	1	9	690	1038	2	39.93

### At Unley Oval

Sturt	5-3	10-6	15-16	18-18	126
North	1-2	3-8	5-9	10-12	72

**BEST PLAYERS—STURT:** Thompson, Fitzgerald, Smith, King, Roberts, Douglas, Hunter, North: Simmons, Cheek, Hewett, Sheppard, Carroll, Henningsen.

**SCORERS—STURT:** Fitzgerald (8.4), Douglas (5.3), Hunter (2.0), Smith (1.2), Williams (1.2), Thompson (1.0), Dutton (0.3), Green (0.1), Goodchild (0.1), Kutcher (0.1), Halbert (0.1). **NORTH:** Shepherd (4.0), Pascoe (2.2), Marsh (2.1), Potts (1.3), Taylor (1.0), Henningson (0.2), Kent (0.1), Rushed (0.3).

**REPLACEMENTS—STURT:** Little (ankle injury) replaced by Heath at half-time. **NORTH:** McCann (hip injury) replaced by Taylor in second quarter; Woore (ankle injury) replaced by Marsh in second quarter.

### At Adelaide Oval

West	6-3	11-7	15-12	19-21	135
South	5-4	7-7	9-9	10-10	70

**BEST PLAYERS—WEST:** Kerley, Tregenza, Johnson, Garnett, Wright, Brown, Reu. **SOUTH:** Jones, Parham, Baker, Kitchen, Polden, Kimber, Parkinson.

**SCORERS—WEST:** Ryan (4.6), Reu (4.1), Wright (3.5), Garnett (3.2), Pfitzner (2.0), Wundke (1.2), Roach (1.2), Chynoweth (1.0), Barker (0.1), Benton (0.1), Johnson (0.1). **SOUTH:** Judd (3.4), Parham (2.2), Baker (2.0), Baraglia (1.1), Christie (1.1), Harris (1.1), Richards (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS—WEST:** Richardson (leg injury) replaced by Pfitzner in the third term; Reu (leg injury) replaced by Lovegrove in the last term. **SOUTH:** Christie (ankle injury) replaced by Slattery in the last term.

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	8.4	9	35.25
Dittmar (Port)	10.5	8	30.25
Head (Torrens)	1.0	9	29.24
Sheppard (North)	4.0	10	29.17
Wright (West)	3.5	9	28.24
Clingly (Torrens)	4.3	10	27.27
Judd (South)	3.4	10	26.29
Vivian (Norwood)	1.0	10	25.20
Johns (Port)	—	6	24.14
Douglas (Sturt)	5.3	6	24.13
Howard (Glenelg)	—	8	23.14