

**Today's details at a glance**

**CONDITIONS: Windy  
At Alberton Oval**

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-5	5-11	13-14	14-17	101
West	3-1	5-5	5-6	9-10	64

**BEST PLAYERS—PORT:** Gill, Mahney, Luke, Hannaford, Thompson, Marrett, T. Obst. **WEST:** A'Court, Chynoweth, Johnson, Day, Roach, Gates, Richardson.

**SCORERS—PORT:** Marrett (5.2), Tull (3.3), Thompson (2.0), Luke (1.3), Zucker (1.2), Mahney (1.2), McBain (1.1), P. Obst (0.2), Williams (0.1), rushed (0.1). **WEST:** Chynoweth (3.1), Sims (2.2), Garnett (2.0), Richardson (1.1), Day (1.1), Wright (0.1), Roach (0.1), Johnson (0.1), Benton (0.1), Gates (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS—PORT:** K. Doyle (ankle injury), replaced by J. McBain in first term; D. Boyd (sprigged leg), replaced by B. Jaggard at half-time.

**At Adelaide Oval**

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Sturt	3-4	7-9	8-11	16-15	111
Glenelg	3-3	4-6	9-10	12-11	83

**BEST PLAYERS—STURT:** Dunn, Halbert, Williams, Roberts, Rigney, Kutcher, Kemp. **GLENELG:** Hill, Fraser, Howard, Branson, Blackburn, Abley, Chisholm.

**SCORERS—STURT:** Douglas (4.6), Halbert (4.1), Dunn (3.0), Williams (2.1), Rigney (1.3), Kemp (1.0), Kutcher (1.0), Green (0.2), Hunter (0.1), rushed (0.1). **GLENELG:** Pemberton (5.2), Hill (4.3), Fraser (1.1), Chisholm (1.1), Alexander (1.0), Howard (0.2), Herron (0.1), Blackburn (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS—STURT:** Slade (gashed finger), replaced by Blows last term; Pridmore (heavy knock), replaced by Heath last term. **GLENELG:** Hamilton (pulled thigh muscle), replaced by Abley in first term.

**At Thebarton Oval**

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	1-5	3-10	9-11	11-20	86
South	2-1	3-6	3-9	4-9	33

**BEST PLAYERS—TORRENS:** Slaven, Searle, Taylor, Bills, Clingly, Townsend, Hine, Landers. **SOUTH:** Baker, Jones, Lapins, Jackson, Johnston, Blum, Stafford.

**SCORERS—TORRENS:** Taylor (3.3), Clingly (3.1), Edwards (2.4), Dix (1.3), Townsend (1.2), Marchioro (1.0), Bills (0.2), Zerella (0.2), Fischer (0.1), rushed (0.2). **SOUTH:** Harris (1.1), Silva (1.0), Atkins (1.0), Stafford (1.0), Parkinson (0.2), Yates (0.1), Baraglia (0.1), Blum (0.1), Baker (0.1), rushed (0.2).

**REPLACEMENTS—TORRENS:** Dix (bruised ribs), replaced by Giddings in last quarter. **SOUTH:** Baraglia (thigh injury), replaced by Blackey at half-time. Kimber replaced by Roenfeldt before game.

**At Norwood Oval**

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	6-3	9-4	12-5	13-5	83
Norw'd	3-0	6-2	7-4	10-10	70

**BEST PLAYERS—NORTH:** Barbary, T. Lindner, Koerner, Pascoe, Yates, Carroll, Bubner. **NORWOOD:** Wedding, Wiesner, Aish, Kneebone, Wells, Lill, McMahon.

**SCORERS—NORTH:** D. Lindner (3.0), Trenorden (2.0), Moore (2.0), Potts (1.2), Koerner (1.1), Johnston (1.1), Sheppard (1.0), Barbary (1.0), Yates (1.0), Whitford (0.1). **NORWOOD:** Lill (4.1), Wells (3.1), Webber (2.1), Vickers (1.2), Vivian (0.3), Wedding (0.1), rushed (0.1).

**REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD:** Swanbury (injury to mouth), replaced by Liebelt in the first term; Pope replaced by Parker at three-quarter time.

**LEAGUE PREMIERSHIP**

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	13	1	1512	952	26	61.36
West	10	4	1331	1009	20	56.88
Sturt	9	5	1468	1282	18	53.38
Torrens	7	7	1208	1159	14	51.04
Glenelg	6	8	1285	1382	12	48.18
Norwood	6	8	1220	1342	12	47.62
South	3	11	974	1471	6	39.84
North	2	12	1001	1402	4	41.66

**LEADING GOALKICKERS**

	Today	Games	Total
Douglas (Sturt)	4.6	10	43.26
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	—	12	42.31
Head (Torrens)	—	13	42.29
Dittmar (Port)	—	11	41.35
Judd (South)	—	13	39.36
Clingly (Torrens)	3.1	14	38.30
Wright (West)	0.1	12	34.35
Sheppard (North)	1.0	14	33.22
Vivian (Norwood)	0.3	14	31.26

**HIGHEST**

League—Sturt 16.15 (111)  
Seconds—Norwood 21.20 (146)

**ATTENDANCES**

Adelaide	11,000
Alberton	10,500
Norwood	9,500
Thebarton	4,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,500</b>

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WA	1-5	7-8	7-16	15-21	111
SA	4-4	5-5	7-7	9-10	64

**BEST PLAYERS—WA:** Sorrell, Foley, Watts, Cassidy, McGill, Farmer. **SA:** Whelan, Kerley, Cahill, Morrell, Fitzgerald, Head.

**GOALKICKERS—WA:** Foley (5), Hawke (4), McGill, Langdon (each 2), Preen, Seel. **SA:** Dittmar, Head, Ryan, Hewitt (each 2), Motley.

**REPLACEMENTS—S A:** Christie for Fitzgerald ( calf injury); — for Motley for Fitz; Seal for Preen (injured ankle).

**STAB KICKS**

Glenelg captain Neil Davies, his knee heavily braced, was still there when the siren sounded in his first game for the season.

Davies invariably made full use of the ball whenever he had possession, but lack of match practice and a lingering doubt over his soundness were obvious handicaps.

SEVEN Port replacements for men away with the State team could be classed as among the best players against West today.

DON Chisholm's goal for Glenelg late in the first quarter was more a matter of luck than good judgment. Racing towards goal, Chisholm stumbled in trying to pick up and accidentally soccered the ball through the goalposts.

WITH both the captain, Geoff Motley, and vice-captain, John Abley, absent in WA, Port called upon Davey Boyd to lead them against West. With his retirement at half-time, LLOYD Zucker took over the leadership.

**REDLEGS' FINAL FOUR HOPES HAVE SLIPPED**

By SAM GALLAGHER

North's shock 13-point defeat of Norwood at Norwood Oval today dealt the Redlegs' hopes of making the finals a crippling blow.

In their remaining four games, Norwood are drawn against the teams now in the top four.

The composition of the leading four has remained unchanged since the third series of matches.

Torrens, who defeated South by 53 points at Thebarton, are once again clear in fourth place, one game ahead of Glenelg.

In a strong finish by Sturt, the Tigers went down by 28 points at the Adelaide Oval.

Port's reserve strength was clearly illustrated by their 37-point win over West.

**Vital for both**

Next week's game between Glenelg and Torrens at Thebarton is vital to their hopes of winning fourth place in the major round.

If Torrens win, they will almost certainly be two games ahead of the nearest challenger, as Norwood meet Port.

With a percentage advantage over Glenelg, Torrens probably would then be safe.

However, if the Bays win they will be level on points with Torrens, and should move ahead of them in their last three games, two of which are against South and North.

Torrens meet Sturt and Port in two of their last three games.

Glenelg's roving was not equal to the opposition of Sturt's Williams, Dunn,

and Rigney at Adelaide Oval today.

Only in the third quarter were the Bays in command. It was in this term that Fraser and Howard played their best football.

Sturt showed they are fit with a match-winning 8-4 last quarter to break clear from the Tigers.

**Hewett missed**

Sturt's win leaves them in third place, one game behind West, but it is not likely that they can deprive West of the double chance.

West could easily win their last four games against North, Norwood, Glenelg, and South, while Sturt will probably lose to Port at Alberton.

Glenelg missed Hewett's consistent drive from centre today. During the first half they had only one regular rover, Howard, in action against Sturt's Dunn and Rigney.

A pleasing feature from the Bays' point of view was the fine form of Hill at centre half-forward.

**Not impressive**

Captain Neil Davies heavily bandaged and braced, emerged from his first game for the season without mishap.

The Bays will be strengthened by the return of Hewitt and Richens, while Torrens will welcome Head and Morrell for next week's clash.

There should be very little in it. Neither side has been impressive in re-

cent games.

The Bays' attack has improved, while Torrens have matchwinners in attack in Clingly and Head.

The result could well be decided across centre. Torrens' strength here could give them a narrow win.

**Lacked power**

After an even first half at Thebarton, Torrens switched Mick Clingly to full forward in the third quarter and got a winning break over South.

Except for Slaven, in great form at centre, South won across midfield but had no power in attack, where the last line defence of Searle and Hine was again strong for Torrens.

**Port went well**

According to Vic Johnson, nearly all of Port's new players went well in their 37-point win over West.

The Magpies' strength across centre and at half-forward gave them sufficient impetus in attack to take them to an easy win after West had paced it with them in the first half.

Jeff Pash saw the Norwood Oval game and reports that Norwood were never going like winners.

North developed winning drive from the superiority of Koerner and Barbary across centre, while Norwood sadly missed Nicholls in the ruck.

**STURT'S 8.4 FINISH SANK GLENELG**

By SAM GALLAGHER

Sturt kicked 8-4 in a powerful last quarter to defeat Glenelg comfortably by 28 points at Adelaide Oval.

Glenelg trailed by 21 points at half-time.

They recovered well to be five points clear at the end of the third quarter.

They matched Sturt goal for goal in the first part of the last term, but Sturt finished full of dash.

The fortunes of the game changed with the ascendancy of the opposing rovers.

Davies won the toss to give Glenelg first use of a strong cross breeze at the southern end, but it was some time before either side developed any cohesion in attack.

**Late reshuffle**

Glenelg rucks—Branson in particular—won the hitouts, but Sturt rovers Dunn and Rigney, with Williams in support, had the ball covered on the ground.

Glenelg had Chisholm roving in a last-minute reshuffle. Dickinson (injured hand) was a late withdrawal from the Glenelg side.

Fraser took the wing vacancy and Leahy went to the back pocket.

The Tigers' roving was weakened by the reshuffle, although Fraser won his wing before reverting to roving in the second half.

**Strongpoint**

Sturt were first to establish any method in attack. Once Halbert found touch, Sturt attacked through him to good purpose. He scored two of their first-quarter goals and passed to Douglass for the third.

Glenelg also had a clear road to goal through Hill, who played well throughout at centre half-forward.

He was chiefly responsible for the Bays going to a seven-point lead early in the second term.

But Sturt then took control. Glenelg found more trouble getting through half-forward as the quarter progressed.

Sturt, on the other hand, with Kutcher from centre and the rovers running loose into attack, got away to a 22-point lead at half-time.

**Hill on top**

Glenelg took steps to counter Sturt's roving strength. After half-time, Fraser was back in his old and passed to Douglas for role. Heron was at



Fraser G. Williams centre. Chisholm was in the back pocket and Leahy

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at half-back left. Abley had replaced Hamilton at the end of the first quarter.

This was Glenelg's best quarter. Hill was a clear winner at centre half-forward and it was the turn of rovers Howard and Fraser to run unchecked into attack.

Abley and Herron provided some drive from the centre line.

The Bays recovered to head Sturt and match them goal-for-goal in the early part of the last quarter.

The lead changed five times before Williams with great dash at the finish, sent Sturt away to a nine-point lead.

**Swept on**

From then on it was all Sturt. Dunn and Douglas each got three goals in Sturt's powerful finish and the Bays were never able to regain the initiative.

Dunn's courageous and sustained roving effort made him Sturt's best. His only quiet period was the

third quarter, when Sturt added only 1-2.

Halbert was the best player afield in the first half.

**Constant threat**

Glenelg had no answer to Williams' dash. Whether in defence or attack he was a constant threat once the ball hit the ground.

Roberts in the back pocket was solid and reliable in the Sturt defence which was not as tight as it might have been.

Hill at centre half-forward for Glenelg was outstanding. He marked well and played on with great dash.

Fraser at centre wing in the first half, and roving in the third quarter, gave Glenelg some badly needed dash. Howard was often under notice for some fine footpassing, and Branson rarely failed to get first touch in ruck. He also showed surprising speed in the ground play.

It's the best in years

