

# Redlegs give Eagles a jolt

## NORTH NOW BOTTOM

By SAM GALLAGHER

Norwood's convincing 33-point win over highly fancied Torrens was a shock result in today's league football.

The two leaders, Port and West, had comfortable victories over Sturt and Glenelg to set the scene for a thrilling holiday game in next week's split series.

North have dropped to bottom position

North lost their sixth successive game to South. This was the only change in rankings after today's matches which completed the first round.

After losing their first five games, Norwood appear to be moulding into a useful side.

Position changes made last week were again successful and if the Redlegs' improvement continues they could find a place in the top four in the second half of the season.

### Strong finish

Today's win was built on Kneebone's brilliance at centre half-forward. Torrens failure to check him contributed largely to their defeat.

The Eagles match-winner, Lindsay Head, was only occasionally a driving force.

Torrens challenged early in the last quarter but Norwood finished strongly to give their supporters something to look forward to.

A feature of the game was the good exhibition of umpire Henderson in his first league game.

Norwood meet North at Adelaide Oval next week and should win a gain.

### Kitchen stars

The Red-and-Whites have struck rock bottom, both in form and on the premiership list, an unaccustomed position for them.

According to Gil Langley, who saw the game at Prospect, South owed their win chiefly to the dominance of Kitchen at centre.

Glenelg, although beaten by West today, will have a chance to draw level on points with Sturt in fourth position next Saturday, when they meet the Blues at home.

West's rovers were again the deciding factor in their 31-point win over Glenelg at Richmond, according to Vic Johnson.

Glenelg won in ruck but Kerley's strength and the home side's more systematic game gave them a comfortable win.

### Not worried

If Glenelg's rovers can play up to their reputation next week, the Bays could make Sturt go all the way.

However, Sturt, with Goodchild back in the side, should carry too much power in attack and retain their position in the leading division.

Port were not seriously troubled against Sturt at Unley.

Although the Blues began well they were never

able to overcome Port's ruck strength or their close checking defence.

Dittmar with six goals for Port, proved an efficient replacement for Johns, and Obst showed his best form for the season at centre half-forward, a position which has caused Port some worry.

The Magpies will be all out to avenge their four-point defeat at the hands of West in the opening series.

On that occasion West finished too strongly but Port are playing on now.

Their ruck strength will be West's biggest worry, and a great deal will depend on how successfully West's rovers can counter this advantage.

### Eagles chosen

Port's attack looks much more settled than West's, and although West's defence is sound the Magpies' ruck superiority should give the forwards enough opportunities to emerge undisputed leaders after next week's game.

Torrens will be out to regain confidence and prestige against South at Kensington.

It is hard to see South repeating today's victory, but Torrens rely so much on Head that his eclipse could make the game interesting.

However, the Eagles should return to winning form and retain third ranking.

## TODAY'S DETAILS

### CONDITIONS: Ideal At Richmond Oval

West	5-4	9-6	12-10	16-15	111
Glenelg	2-3	3-4	7-9	11-14	80

**BEST PLAYERS.—WEST:** Kerley, Eustice (until injured), Bray, Wright, Barker, Johnson, Eglinton.  
**GLENELG:** Alexander, Hill, Hewett, Pemberton, Stafford, Cutten, Herron.

**SCORERS.—WEST:** Wright 5.2, Day 2.2, Chynoweth 2.1, Pfitzner 2.0, Wundke 1.3, Fraser 1.3, Roach 1.2, Ryan 1.1, Johnson 1.0, Gates 0.1.  
**GLENELG:** Alexander 3.1, Howard 3.0, Pemberton 2.0, Flew 1.3, Hewett 1.1, Fraser 1.1, Webber 0.3, Leahy 0.2, Cutten 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**REPLACEMENTS.—West:** Pfitzner (knee injury) replaced by Benton in last quarter. Eustice (leg injury) replaced by Hamilton in last quarter.  
**GLENELG:** Fraser (ankle injury) replaced by Leahy at the end of the third quarter.

### At Unley Oval

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4-5	10-11	12-16	18-17	125
Sturt	4-4	6-6	10-8	14-11	95

**BEST PLAYERS.—PORT:** Hannaford, Obst, Luke, Kretschmer, Cahill, Abley, Williams.  
**STURT:** Hunter, Halbert, Williams, Rigney, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Roberts.

**SCORERS.—PORT:** Dittmar 6-1, Obst 3.5, Luke 3.3, Zucker 2.0, Tull 2.0, Williams 1.1, Potter 1.0, Mahney 0.1, Boyd 0.1, Hannaford 0.1.  
**STURT:** Douglas 3.1, Williams 3.0, Thompson 3.0, Fitzgerald 2.1, Kemp 1.0, Sims 1.0, Rigney 1.0, Hunter 0.4, Halbert 0.2, Cunningham 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**REPLACEMENTS.—STURT:** Marshall (knee) replaced by David in first quarter.

### At Norwood Oval

Norwood	3-8	8-13	15-14	17-17	119
Torrens	4-0	7-6	10-7	13-8	86

**SCORERS.—NORWOOD:** Lill 4.1, Wedding 3.3, Ralston 3.2, Vivian 2.3, Nicol 2.1, Kneebone 2.1, Wells 1.3, Swanbury 0.1, Minervini 0.1, rushed 0.1.  
**TORRENS:** Clingly 5.1, Head 4.2, Townsend 1.1, Livesey 1.0, Landers 1.0, Webber 1.0, Glenn 0.1, Pilmore 0.1, Morrell 0.1, Hanrahan 0.1.

**BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD:** Kneebone, Nicholls, Swanbury, Ralston, Nicol, W. Miller, Wedding.  
**TORRENS:** Hine, Clingly, Landers, Head, Searle, Russell, Morrell.

**REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD:** Miller (bruised shoulder), replaced by Rumbelow in last quarter. Vickers (cramp), replaced by Webber in third term.  
**TORRENS:** Gibson (concussion), replaced by T. Jarman in third quarter.

### At Prospect Oval

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	3-1	8-5	11-13	16-16	112
North	4-7	5-10	8-16	9-19	73

**BEST PLAYERS.—SOUTH:** Kitchen, Christie, Jackson, Judd, Jones, Baker, Parham.  
**NORTH:** Bubner, Gilbourne, Sheppard, Hughes, Carroll, Lindner.

**SCORERS.—SOUTH:** Judd 8.1, Richards 2.2, Parham 2.1, Christie 1.2, Fulwood 1.1, Yates 1.0, Baker 1.0, Lapins 0.2, Mortimer 0.1, rushed 0.5.  
**NORTH:** Shepherd 5.1, Pascoe 1.5, Bubner 1.4, Woore 1.2, Carroll 1.0, Tate 0.3, Hewett 0.1, Koerner 0.1, Kent 0.1, rushed 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.—SOUTH:** Jones (leg), replaced by Blackey in last quarter.  
**NORTH:** Tate (shoulder), replaced by Potts in last quarter. Trenorden replaced by Johnstone in last quarter.

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	6	1	762	469	12	61.90
West	6	1	657	461	12	58.77
Torrens	4	3	661	535	8	55.27
Sturt	4	3	718	676	8	51.51
Glenelg	3	4	610	665	6	47.84
Norwood	2	5	532	736	4	41.96
South	2	5	477	679	4	41.26
North	1	6	485	681	2	41.60

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Head (Torrens)	4.2	7	26.19
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	2.1	7	23.19
Howard (Glenelg)	3.0	7	22.14
Johns (Port)	—	5	22.13
Wright (West)	5.2	7	20.16
Clingly (Torrens)	5.1	7	19.13
Sheppard (North)	5.1	7	17.12
Judd (South)	8.2	7	16.8
Wundke (West)	1.3	7	15.16

### HIGHEST

### LOWEST

### LEAGUE

Port 18-17 (125 pts.) North 9-19 (73 pts.)

### SECONDS

Norwood 22-16 (148 pts.) Cent. Dist. 7-8 (50 pts.)

### ATTENDANCES

Unley	16,000
Norwood	13,500
Richmond	7,000
Prospect	4,500
Total	41,000

# West little men were too good

By VIC JOHNSON

Although Glenelg threw out late challenges against West at Richmond, they never really looked like winning. West triumphed by 31 points.

West's rovers and smaller men generally were much the more accomplished.

Also, Glenelg made no move to check the Kerley-Wright combination which has had so much success for West.

West undoubtedly missed the services of Richardson in ruck, and were forced to use their leader as the hit-out man from the packs.

Kerley is not tall enough for that position, but his skilful blocking and protecting paves the way to West's strength around the fringes.

I would say that generally Alexander won the ruck battles, but did not win the ball.

Fraser and Howard were rarely under notice, except for the latter's goals, but Wright, Day, and Ryan were always there when the ball hit the ground.

The early part of the game gave the impression that West would run away with it.

They were superior at centre, where Johnson's dash was too much for Herron; Wundke was sure and safe at centre half-forward and Kerley combined strongly with Wright.

Glenelg's attack broke down frequently across half-forward, where Bray, centre half-back, and Eustice on his flank were too strong and dashing.

Farther in, A'Court found a touch of his best form, with Brown adding his touch in the back pocket.

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### Tough spot

Down more than six goals at half-time, Glenelg were in the tough spot, but shortly after the third term began they threw out the challenge. Alexander in ruck led them with two

### Had a chance

Sensing they still had a chance, Glenelg threw everything into it.

Eustice went off for West, Hamilton taking his place.

Two frees for "throwing", let West in for Day's long goal, and the game was as good as over.

Still, Glenelg had an answer when Pemberton got his second goal, but they got to the goal front only once more. Then A'Court drove them out.

West, through the agency of their smaller men, found new strength in the last minutes.

Wright coolly snapped his fifth goal. Then, in a flash of really fine football, Benton found Wright, who unselfishly played over to Fraser for his goal.

West won the last centre bounce of the game, and Wundke, streaking in, punted a long one through.

### Kerley best

Kerley's steady effort through the game makes him West's best. Eustice, until injured, was not far behind.

Wright produced one of his best games, Bray was strong at half-back, Barker made a fine debut in ruck, and Eglinton and Johnson gave the balance across centre.

I thought Alexander, with a strong following effort and three goals was Glenelg's best.

Hill defended strongly in goal. Others under notice were Hewitt, half-forward, Stafford, half-back, Pemberton in attack, Herron, centre, and Cutten in ruck.

Umpire R. C. Daniels was in charge.



Kerley

Alexander

quick goals, and Howard joined in to make the leeway 20 points.

Pemberton was now becoming a nuisance to the West defence, despite Bray's good game. He frequently made position well to take the chest-high pass, and usually finished the job intelligently.

But the Kerley-Wright movement soon became evident again, paving the way for Wright's fourth goal.

However, Glenelg were fighting back with new-found spirit.

West's Johnson, a little quieter now, and Ryan, just on the siren, each goaled to give West a comfortable lead for the run home.

Glenelg lost Fraser at three-quarter time, replacing him with Leahy. Soon after the term opened Pemberton goaled, and Howard followed quickly with another.

Benton replaced Pfitzner for West as Howard goaled again, and the Tigers were getting closer—only 15 points behind now.