

REDLEGS IN, AND FINAL FOUR FIGHT INTENSIFIES

By SAM GALLAGHER

Displaced from the top four by North last week, Norwood today fought their way back by beating West at Adelaide Oval.

The Redlegs, victorious in a hard game by 14 points, move into fourth place on percentage from North, beaten by Port by 40 points at Alberton.

Torrens turned on a sensational last quarter to beat Glenelg by 23 points at Thebarton, and at Unley Sturt finished in front for the second time this season, winning by 18 points from South.

Fourth place in the major round is still in the balance.

Norwood meet Port at Kensington next week, and North are at home to West.

Because of Norwood's superior percentage, North will probably need to win one game more than the Redlegs to make the finals.

For this reason a Port win next week is vital to North's chances.

Norwood should win their two remaining games, against Sturt and Glenelg.

It could be that both third and fourth position will be decided on percentage.

If both North and Norwood win their next three games, the last two positions could go to whichever two of Torrens, Norwood, and North have the higher percentages.

Beaten today for the third time in succession, West can hardly be approaching the major round with confidence.

Bob Hank reporting the Adelaide Oval game said that the Red-and-Blacks

had few players in form. Norwood made the match-winning move when they switched John Lill to full forward in the first quarter.

Too elusive for Tregenza, Lill got six goals.

Despite their loss today, West should retain the double chance. They will finish the minor round with two comparatively easy ones, although Glenelg at Adelaide could upset them.

Two clear

Port went two games clear in top position by their win over North.

The Magpies had few stars, but their concentration and will to win make them formidable, even when the game does not go smoothly.

Their clash with Norwood at Kensington next week will draw a big crowd.

North's lapse today makes their further progress a lot more uncertain than it looked a week ago.

They will lean heavily on the home ground advantage against West next Saturday.

Today's details at a glance

CONDITIONS—IDEAL

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
N'wood	2-2	6-5	14-9	16-14	110
West	1-4	4-10	11-13	13-18	96

BEST PLAYERS—NORWOOD: Lill, Ross, Wedding, Oatey, Bowe, Dellar, Minervini, Aish. **WEST:** Kerley, Roach, Hogan, Bennetts, Wallace, Eustice, O'Driscoll.

GOALKICKERS—NORWOOD: Lill 6, Vickers 3, Ralston 2, Daly 2, Oatey, Sawley, Minervini. **WEST:** Thomas 3, O'Driscoll 3, Wright 3, Hogan 2, Roach 2.

SCORERS—NORWOOD: Lill 6.2, Vickers 3.2, Ralston 2.2, Daly 2.0, Oatey 1.5, Minervini 1.1, Sawley 1.0, Feehan 0.1, rushed 0.1. **WEST:** Thomas 3.1, O'Driscoll 3.0, Wright 3.0, Hogan 2.6, Roach 2.3, Wallace 0.2, Phipps 0.1, Benton 0.1, Kerley 0.1, Sara 0.1, Brooks 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD: Daly (split eye) replaced by Johnson during last term. **WEST:** Phipps (ankle), replaced by Costello during third quarter. Bennetts (groin), replaced by Brooks during last quarter.

REPORT—NORWOOD: G. McMahon reported by boundary umpire Williams for attempting to strike unidentified West player in the second quarter.

INJURIES—WEST: Bennetts, kick in groin; Phipps, torn ligaments in ankle; O'Driscoll, twisted knee. **NORWOOD:** Daly, cut over eye.

AT ALBERTON

Port	2-3	8-6	10-9	14-10	94
North	3-2	5-6	6-10	7-12	54

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: T. Obst, Potter, Abley, McBain, Fabian, P. Obst, Tierney. **NORTH:** Thomas, Barbary, T. Lindner, Whitford, Carroll, Power, Hewett.

GOALKICKERS—PORT: Johns 4, Philp 3, McBain 2, Thompson 2, Luke, P. Obst, Potter. **NORTH:** Pascoe 3, Thomas, Potts, Hewett, Whitford.

SCORERS—PORT: Johns 4.0, Philp 3.0, Thompson 2.1, McBain 2.0, Potter 1.3, P. Obst 1.2, Luke 1.0, I. Hannaford 0.2, Cahill 0.1, Motley 0.1. **NORTH:** Pascoe 3.1, Thomas 1.2, Whitford 1.2, Potts 1.1, Hewett 1.0, Trenorden 1.0, Bubner 1.0, Kent 1.0, Power 1.0, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Hayes (concussion), replaced by D. Hannaford at quarter-time. Salmon (leg), replaced by Elme last quarter. **NORTH:** Nil.

AT THEBARTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	5-4	5-11	8-14	17-17	119
Glenelg	3-4	10-8	10-11	14-12	96

BEST PLAYERS—TORRENS: Head, Shearman, Bills, Gibson, Livesey, Landers, Hine, Russell. **GLENELG:** Richens, Staite, Herron (until injured), Cutten, Kernahan, Blackburn, Leahy, Hibberd.

GOALKICKERS—TORRENS: Head 8, Shearman 3, Kingston 3, Townsend, Hanel, Robertson. **GLENELG:** Payne 3, Abley 3, Crompton 2, Staite 2, Richens 2, Webber, Cutten.

SCORERS—TORRENS: Head 8.1, Kingston 3.5, Shearman 3.3, Townsend 1.1, Hanel 1.1, Robertson 1.0, Young 0.3, Bills 0.1, Gibson 0.1, rushed 0.1. **GLENELG:** Abley 3.1, Payne 3.1, Crompton 2.3, Staite 2.1, Richens 2.1, Webber 1.1, Cutten 1.0, Herron 0.2, Fraser 0.1, Kernahan 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—TORRENS: Morrell (injured leg) replaced by Cavuoto in the second quarter. Young (leg injury), replaced by Shirley in the last quarter. **GLENELG:** Butler (injured leg), replaced by Grose in the third quarter. Herron (dislocated or fractured ankle), replaced by Webber in the third quarter.

AT UNLEY

Sturt	3-9	7-11	12-15	15-16	106
South	1-2	6-6	9-6	13-10	88

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Thompson, Halbert, Rigney, Goodchild, Williams, Schoff, Richardson, Guerin. **SOUTH:** Kitchen, Ploenges, O'Brien, Panizza, Christie, Harris, Backman, Kantilla, R. Roenfeldt.

GOALKICKERS—STURT: J. Richardson 5, Rigney 3, Caust 3, Schoff 3, Goodchild. **SOUTH:** Kitchen 3, Kantilla 3, Panizza 2, O'Brien 2, Wilson, Backman, Pearce.

SCORERS—STURT: Richardson 5.0, Rigney 3.3, Caust 3.1, Schoff 3.1, Goodchild 1.1, Williams 0.2, Halbert 0.1, Heitmann 0.1, Hicks 0.1, Short 0.1, Thompson 0.1, rushed 0.2. **SOUTH:** Kantilla 3.0, Kitchen 3.0, Panizza 2.2, O'Brien 2.0, Backman 1.1, Pearce 1.1, Wilson 1.1, Harris 0.4, Christie 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Rigney replaced by Heath in third quarter. R. Roenfeldt replaced by Pryor. **SOUTH:** Wilson replaced by Parham in last quarter.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	13	3	1350	985	26	57.81
West	11	5	1495	1107	22	57.45
Torrens	11	5	1413	1204	22	53.99
Norwood	9	7	1339	1171	18	53.34
North	9	7	1276	1211	18	51.30
South	5	11	1091	1567	10	41.05
Glenelg	4	12	1283	1596	8	44.56
Sturt	2	14	1072	1478	4	42.01

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Kingston (Torrens)	3.5	14	66.54
R. Johns (Port)	4.0	13	37.44
Hogan (West)	2.6	15	36.23
Crompton (Glenelg)	2.3	15	34.33
Lill (Norwood)	6.2	16	31.24
Kantilla (South)	3.0	16	30.24
Richens (Glenelg)	2.1	16	29.31
Thomas (North)	1.2	15	29.25
Pascoe (North)	3.1	16	29.20
Wright (West)	3.0	13	27.21

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	15,107
Alberton	11,600
Thebarton	6,650
Unley	2,875
Total	36,232

Eagles in last quarter only

By JEFF PASH

An overwhelming nine-goal last quarter by Torrens gave them a 23-point win over Glenelg at Thebarton, after the Bays had won the first half and held on strongly in the third quarter.

Head scored six goals in the runaway last term and finished the day with eight — a magnificent effort in the circumstances.

Both sides suffered misfortunes. Torrens lost their star ruckman Morrell in the second quarter, and the Bays — more seriously from the performance angled today — lost their brilliant centreman, Herron, with a bad ankle injury, and centre half-back Butler, both playing well at the time.

It was a free-scoring game. Torrens frittered away a lot of chances in the first three quarters through unsure ball handling and an ill-timed and badly executed short game.

Attack power

Both defences were easily penetrated, and there was a lot of loose checking on the centre line. The Bays' defence was probably the better on the whole; it did not crack until it was disorganised by injuries.

Torrens have immense power in attack and their roving looks stronger. The defence seems to need more work if it is to be fit for the finals.

The Bays played well right down the list; this game just slipped away from them at the last.

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goals were slow in coming, but the departure of Morrell accelerated things for them.

Torrens kicked seven points only for the term, and at half-time the Bays were almost five goals in front.

After half-time Torrens reorganised, sending Landers to centre half-back and Head to centre half-forward. The third quarter was difficult for them, but they gradually closed on Glenelg.

The Bays lost Butler and, very late in the quarter, Herron, but defended every inch of the way.

Torrens' defence had firmed, too, and they allowed the Bays only three points in this term, to end nine points down.

In the last quarter an all-out effort in ruck and on the centre line kept sending the ball forward. Head scored three quick goals on the run in brilliant style.

The Bays, surprisingly, recovered the lead from there with two goals. However, Torrens, in a last overwhelming burst, rattled on six more goals and played their only confident football of the day.

Head's effort

For Torrens Head was

the outstanding player. His eight goals were scored in only two quarters, and he was not often sighted in the other two. But it was a match-winning performance and he had to get the goals the hard way most of the time.

Shearman was not far behind — perhaps allowing Herron too much latitude, but strong and brilliant and putting the ball down an astonishing way.

Blight gave a promising display.

For Glenelg Richens was the outstanding player — for a strong, exact roving game. The Bays, in fact, had just as many good players as Torrens; theirs was a good team effort.

Staite went well. Herron was very high on the list when injured.

SIX of Head's eight goals for Torrens today came from running shots, mostly well considered, beautifully executed drop kicks.

FEATURE of the Torrens-Glenelg game was the immense kicking of centreman Bob Shearman. He scored three goals almost without going out of his ground.



Head Richens

In the first term the Bays were doing well in ruck, where Morrell was not able to get off the ground, evidently carrying a leg from the start. They were getting more than a fair share on the centre line, and even attacking more effectively to the goalfront than were Torrens.

In the second quarter the Bays gradually overtook Torrens. The first two

PROGRESSIVE VOTING

These are the leading votes recorded up to today for the Mildara Football Trophy.

N. KERLEY	28
J. HALBERT	26½
W. HERRON	24½
J. POTTER	22
G. CHRISTIE	22
W. WEDDING	20½
D. ROACH	20
T. LINDNER	19½
H. LINKE	19
R. BARBARY	17½
B. SHEARMAN	16
D. PANIZZA	16

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