

# 'WEAK' MAGPIES SHOCKED NORTH

By SAM GALLAGHER

Relegated by most critics to the unaccustomed role of underdog, Port reacted in typical fashion to down North in a low-scoring game at prospect today.

Fielding what was regarded as their weakest team for many years, the Magpies jumped the highly rated Red-and-Whites in the first quarter and won by 11 points.

At Norwood, West were untroubled to beat the Redlegs by 34 points.

Glenelg, who took all last season to win as many games, made it two out of two in leading Sturt by 19 points at the siren.

In the remaining game, Torrens again made new full forward Geoff Kingstons their target in the day's biggest win over South.

Kingston followed his seven goals last week with nine today.

Bob Hank, who saw the game at Prospect, said that Port, with Hannaford alternating between ruck and centre half-forward, opened with terrific determination.

The Magpies had five goals on the board before North scored.

After that it was a battle of the defences, and North, despite a great recovery across centre in the second half, could not

make up the early deficit.

The home team got to within four points in the last quarter only to see Port, well served all day by a magnificent defence, go further away on the siren.

## D. Lindner hurt

Bad news for North is an injury to Don Lindner. The North star left the field at three-quarter time with a shoulder injury which may keep him out of the game for several weeks.

Port half-forward Peter Obst was another casualty in a fierce game.

At Norwood, West's inaccuracy was the main factor in keeping the game alive until the last quarter.

Norwood, outplayed by speed and skill in the first half, briefly raised their supporters' hopes with a determined third quarter.

But West went away in the last quarter to win easily.

A solid defence, Ryan at centre, and more creative roving gave a brilliant half-forward line all the opportunities it needed.

Once Roach took over at centre half-forward, West's outer attack broke through Norwood's strong half-back line with comparative ease.

Glenelg recovered from an unimpressive second quarter to outscore Sturt 11-12 to 5-6 after half-time.

Sturt had more players in form than last week, but was still too loose across half-back.

Jeff Pash, reporting this game, said that Sturt suffered a heavy blow when captain-coach Glyn Williams retired with an injury in the third quarter.

However, the Bays' win was full of merit. They lost Hewett, Abley, and Beal from their original selection, and came from behind to win.

Former Melbourne player Crompton, with seven goals, made the smile on the face of the Tiger even broader.

At Adelaide, Torrens led South throughout.

The Panthers could not overcome Torrens strength in ruck, across centre, and at the goal front.

Next week, South tackle Port at Adelaide, West are at home to Glenelg, Norwood go to Thebarton, and Sturt meet North at Unley.

Likely winners are Port, West, Torrens, and North.

## THE SUNDAY MAIL Football Lift Out

### Today's details at a glance

#### CONDITIONS: IDEAL AT PROSPECT

Port	5-0	6-4	7-5	8-6	54
North	1-4	2-6	5-10	5-13	43

**BEST PLAYERS.** — PORT: T. Obst, Hayes, Whelan, I. Hannaford, Dittmar, Huddleston, Potter. NORTH: Hewett, Barbary, Whitford, Potts, Bloch, Hughes, Pascoe.

**SCORERS.** — PORT: Johns 3.3, Traynor 1.1, Huddleston 1.0, McBain 1.0, Luke 1.0, Cooper 1.0, Tierney 0.1, Laing 0.1. NORTH: D. Lindner 2.2, Hughes 1.2, Potts 1.2, Barbary 1.0, Whitford 0.3, Hewett 0.1, Bubbner 0.1, White 0.1, Bottoff 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.** — PORT: Peter Obst (shoulder) replaced by Laing in second quarter. Mahney (heavy knock) replaced by Cooper in last quarter. NORTH: Carroll (thigh) replaced by Montgomery at half-time. Don Lindner (torso shoulder ligaments) replaced by White at three-quarter time.

#### At Norwood

West	1-8	5-12	8-19	11-22	88
Norwood	1-1	2-7	6-10	7-12	54

**BEST PLAYERS.** — WEST: Roach, Ryan, Hogan, Kerley, De Broughe, Bray, Eustice. NORWOOD: Inglis, Bowe, Wedding, Modra, Aish, Brenchley, Lill.

**SCORERS.** — WEST: Garnett 3.2, Phipps 2.2, Sara 2.1, Hogan 1.3, De Broughe 1.3, Roach 1.3, Kerley 1.2, Shrubsole 0.2, rushed 0.4. NORWOOD: Sawley 1.2, Modra 1.1, Koerner 1.1, Oatey 1.1, Ashby 1.0, Feehan 1.0, Wedding 1.0, Stephens 0.3, Vickers 0.2, McMahon 0.1, Bowe 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.** — WEST: Gates (broken nose) and De Broughe (leg injury) replaced by McLeod and Rossetto in the last quarter. NORWOOD: Weisner (pulled leg muscle) replaced by Modra in first quarter.

#### At Unley

Glenelg	5-1	7-5	14-13	18-17	125
Sturt	5-4	10-10	12-11	15-16	106

**BEST PLAYERS.** — GLENELG: Leahy, Crompton, Butler, Kernahan, Frazer, Cutten, H. Linke, Webber. STURT: Thompson, Halbert, Goodchild, Sawford, A. Richardson, Hicks, Williams, McCarthy.

**SCORERS.** — GLENELG: Crompton 7.5, Webber 5.0, Fraser 2.1, Cutten 1.4, Payne 1.3, Kernahan 1.1, Richens 1.1, Kendall 0.1, rushed 0.1. STURT: McCarthy 4.1, Thompson 2.2, Mitchell 2.1, A. Richardson 2.0, Sawford 1.3, Goodchild 1.2, Martin 1.2, Hicks 1.0, Schoff 1.0, Halbert 0.2, Williams 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**REPLACEMENTS.** — GLENELG: Parker (injured leg) replaced by A. Linke in the first quarter. STURT: Williams (leg) replaced by Jarrett in the third quarter. Schoff (leg) replaced by Short in the third quarter.

#### AT ADELAIDE

Torrens	3-4	7-5	11-12	14-13	97
South	1-4	3-5	5-6	6-8	44

**BEST PLAYERS.** — WEST TORRENS: Kingston, Morrell, Russell, Bills, Marchioro, Searle, Shearman. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Jackson, Christie, O'Brien, Chirgwin, Durbridge, Silva, Williams.

**GOALKICKERS.** — WEST TORRENS: Kingston 9, Marchioro 2, Livesey, Pill, Roberts. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Kantilla 2, Parham, Burt, Day, Silva.

**REPLACEMENTS.** — TORRENS: Head (nose), replaced by Cavuto in last term. SOUTH: Burt (shin), replaced by Parham at three-quarter time. Kupsch (face), replaced by Ploenges in last term.

#### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Torrens	2	—	204	92	4	68.91
West	2	—	186	129	4	59.04
Glenelg	2	—	228	200	4	53.27
North	1	1	150	136	2	52.44
Port	1	1	129	141	2	47.77
Norwood	—	2	136	195	—	41.08
South	—	2	138	200	—	40.82
Sturt	—	2	154	232	—	39.89

#### GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Kingston (Torrens)	9-3	16-9
Crompton (Glenelg)	7-5	10-5
Kantilla (South)	2-2	8-3
Johns (Port)	3-3	7-6
Webber (Glenelg)	5-0	7-3
D. Lindner (North)	2-2	5-3
Kerley (West)	1-2	5-3
Hogan (West)	1-3	4-8
Stephens (Norwood)	0-3	4-5
McCarthy (Sturt)	4-1	4-4
Garnett (West)	3-2	4-4
Kernahan (Glenelg)	1-1	4-2
A. Richardson (Sturt)	2-0	4-0
Schoff (Sturt)	1-0	4-0

#### ATTENDANCES

Unley	6,500
Prospect	11,650
Norwood	11,000
Adelaide	10,126

Total 39,276  
HIGHEST LEAGUE      LOWEST

Glenelg 18-17 (125 pts.) North 5-13 (43 pts.)  
SECONDS  
Norwood 19-18 (132 pts.) South 8-13 (61 pts.)

# BAYS FOUGHT BACK FOR GOOD WIN

By JEFF PASH

Glenelg made a fighting recovery after being well down to Sturt before half-time, and won well with their fast play-on in a good team effort.

The Bays took the field with their chances reduced by the absence of Hewett (heavy cold), Beal, and Abley (both injured). The vacancies were filled by Kendall (half-forward), Parker (wing), and Butler (full back).

Glenelg opened brilliantly to score five goals one behind before Sturt opened their account. They had won the toss, but there was no wind, and conditions, in fact, remained still for the entire game.

Sturt's rucks were very sluggish in this period, and Glenelg took the ball forward at will.

## Came good

In mid-term, Sturt's rucks came suddenly good. Thompson, Williams, and Sawford began to dominate the bounces and field play, and Halbert took practically all the centre play.

Sturt found it just as easy as Glenelg had to push the ball forward, and in a quick five-goal burst assumed the lead before the first bell.

Glenelg lost Parker, their new wingman, with a leg injury before the change, replacing him with A. Linke.

In the second term Sturt maintained and tightened their hold on the game, still winning handsomely on the centre line and in the rucks.

They had marking strongholds here and



Leahy Halbert

there, and once they took the ball forward could generally keep it there.

Glenelg could not attack for a long period, being unable to exploit their speed.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	5-1	7-5	14-13	18-17	125
Sturt	5-4	10-10	12-11	15-16	106

Late in the term, when about five goals down, the Bays did manage to put a couple of goals on the board when attacks got through.

Neither defence was convincing at this stage.

## Faster now

At half-time Glenelg were 23 points down, and Sturt seemed to have a strong grip on the game.

No changes were made, and Glenelg began in the same spirit as they had the first quarter.

In this term, they slowly improved on their over-all play. Their defence was tighter. Previously it had relied on the brilliance of Butler and Leahy to save them; now it began to meet the ball faster.

The centre line now began to assert itself. Herron in particular lifting his game noticeably in the second half.

The rucks and rovers came to the fore.

Sturt had the misfortune to lose one of their best (perhaps the best to this time) players late in the term—captain, Glyn Williams, and he was followed closely by Schoff (also a good performer at half-forward).

The Bays won this quarter well, finishing with a lead of 14 points. They established their main attack in this period, with goalsneak Webber scoring three goals in a row, and Crompton adding two more to his score of three.

In the last quarter here was an even struggle from which Glenelg emerged just the more successful.

Sturt battled hard without ever getting the break that might have given them the winning burst, without ever looking hopelessly lost.

In the last analysis the Bays had safer scoring avenues and, in the last half, the tighter and more agile defence.

Their victory was a good fighting effort, and there are hopeful signs in the play of the rucks and juniors generally.

Sturt lost a lot of drive when Williams had to leave the field.

For Glenelg, performances tended to be fairly even — particularly in the last half when everyone responded with his best.

I thought Leahy was their best, for an excellent, safe and sustained display in the back pocket.

Crompton, with seven goals and some strong work elsewhere, was most impressive, and Butler played splendidly at full back.

Kernahan rucked well, Fraser did a lot of good things, H. Linke really got a measure of control over his brilliant opponent, Cutten played well at centre half-forward, and Webber, with five good goals and some unobtrusive supporting play, deserves a lot of credit.

I liked the play of Kendall and Staite, and Richens was useful.

## Top pair

For Sturt, Thompson and Halbert are hard to separate.

Both, with Goodchild and Williams and possibly Sawford, had Glenelg worried before half-time.

After half-time they were not quite as prominent, Herron, for one taking a lot of centre play in the second half.

But Thompson, Halbert, Goodchild, Williams, and Sawford all played well.

McCarthy (four well-earned goals), A. Richardson, Hicks, Schoff, and Marshall gave them solid support.

Glenelg's Victorian recruit Neil Crompton has a nicely controlled boot—7-5 today, and the promise of many more to come.