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TIGERS TEAR ON IN BID FOR FOUR

By SAM GALLAGHER

Snatching victory from West in the dying minutes of a thrilling game at the Bay, Glenelg today took one stage further their determined bid for a place in the final four.

The Tigers, home by a point, have now won five of their last six games.

Other matches today were won by big margins.

At Prospect Port out-classed North, to win by 59 points.

Despite the eclipse of Geoff Kingston Torrens were 70 points clear of South, at Thebarton, and Norwood overwhelmed

Sturt by 107 points at Unley.

A weakened West put up a gallant fight against Glenelg.

The scores were rarely out of touch but the game, though hard, was fairly fought throughout.

Jeff Pash who saw this game, said the Bays' high marking close to goal was the decisive factor. This

was a Glenelg strong point against North last week.

Kernahan and Rowe each got five goals for the Tigers.

West hit the front with two goals from Hogan with two minutes left to play, but Rowe swung the lead back to the Bays.

The Red-and-Blacks came again, but Garnett's kick was cleared, and only percentage separated Glenelg from a place in the top four.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	Points For	Points Agst.	Pts.	Prem.
Port ..	13	1	-	1444	828	26	63.55
Norwood ..	9	4	1	1424	1102	19	56.37
Torrens ..	8	5	1	1187	980	17	54.77
West ..	8	6	-	1405	1045	16	57.34
Glenelg ..	8	6	-	1248	1292	16	49.13
North ..	6	8	-	1111	1180	12	48.49
Sturt ..	3	11	-	996	1483	6	40.17
South ..	-	14	-	798	1703	-	31.90

Provided they can beat Sturt at Adelaide next week, Glenelg should force their way into the four in place of either West or Torrens.

Port meet Torrens at Alberton and Norwood go to Richmond.

Ability to make good loss of State team representatives will be decisive in next week's games.

Norwood burst back to winning form with a vengeance at Unley.

Badly weakened by injury before the game, Sturt had to replace Short before the game started.

They struck further trouble when Hale and Martin had to retire before half-time. This was not the end of their misfortunes.

John Halbert took a heavy knock in the first

quarter and may have a back injury X-rayed.

Nevertheless, Norwood's display was far too classy for the Blues.

Robert Oatey celebrated State team selection with a roving performance that could hardly have been bettered by Jack in his heyday.

Once Bill Wedding took control in the second term, Sturt were rarely in the picture.

At Prospect, Port were far too strong for North.

Reportin gthis game, Stan Wickham said North won two positions across centre, but Port's power across half-back completely offset this advantage.

For the winners Rex Johns got six goals, making his tally 33 in the past six games.

Today's details at a glance

WEATHER: Fine—GROUND: Holding

At Glenelg

Glenelg 3-3 7-6 11-9 15-11 101

West 5-2 6-7 11-10 14-16 100

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Long, Kernahan, Richens, Rowe, Staitte, Cutten, Hunt. WEST ADELAIDE: De Broughe, Day, Wright, Hogan, Eustice, Shrubsole, Barker, Sara.

SCORERS—GLENELG: Rowe 5.2, Kernahan 5.0, Cutten 2.2, Staitte 2.1, Richens 1.1, Davies 0.1, Campbell 0.1, Fraser 0.1, Westley 0.1. WEST ADELAIDE: Hogan 4.1, Benton 3.1, Wright 2.2, Bray 2.1, Garnett 1.3, Thomas 1.1, Thompson 1.0, De Broughe 0.3, Villis 0.3, Sara 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: None. WEST ADELAIDE: Thompson (leg injury) replaced by Villis in the second quarter, O'Driscoll (head injury) replaced by Pope in the last quarter.

At Unley

Norw'd 5-5 13-6 15-13 24-18 162

Sturt 3-4 4-4 8-6 8-7 55

BEST PLAYERS—NORWOOD: Oatey, Kite, Wedding, Bowe, Feehan, Daley, Koch. STURT: Hicks, Roberts, Schoff, Smith, Enright, Cunningham.

SCORERS—NORWOOD: Daly 6.3, Oatey 4.1, Lill 3.2, Sawley 3.2, Minervini 2.3, Amery 2.1, Wedding 2.0, Feehan 1.2, Koch 1.1, Modra 0.2, rushed 0.1. STURT: D. Hicks 3.2, Kriewaldt 2.0, Wiebusch 1.1, C. Hicks 1.0, Enright, 1.0, Guerin 0.1, Clarke 0.1, Jarrett 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD: Sawley replaced by Curtis, Ashby by Lawton last quarter. STURT: Hale (knee) replaced by Fedorowytch second quarter, Martin (groin) by McCarthy late in second quarter.

At Prospect

Port 5-2 7-3 14-6 17-7 109

North 0-2 1-4 3-6 7-8 50

BEST PLAYERS—PORT ADELAIDE: Hayes, Potter, Johns, Motley, McBain, Fabian, Gill. NORTH ADELAIDE: Lindner, Barbary, Block, Trenorden, Gambling, Power, Heading.

SCORERS—PORT ADELAIDE: Joins 6.2, Potter 3.0, Traynor 3.0, Hannaford 2.1, Virgo 2.0, Matters 1.0, Cahill 0.2, Bray 0.1, Obst 0.1. NORTH ADELAIDE: Martin 2.2, Barbary 2.0, Power 2.0, Pascoe 1.1, Potts 0.2, Ashby 0.1, Whitford 0.1, Kent 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT ADELAIDE: Matters (thigh) replaced by Virgo in third term, Bray replaced by Huddleston in last term. NORTH ADELAIDE: Heading replaced by Giesler at three-quarter time, Pascoe replaced by Gilbourne in last term.

At Thebarton

Torrens 4-1 12-4 13-12 16-21 117

South 3-4 5-6 6-9 6-11 47

BEST PLAYERS—WEST TORRENS: Head, Shearman, Robertson, Hawke, Pill, Braidwood, Butler, Gibson, Bills. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Kantilla, Jackson, Schmidt, Grove, Durbridge, T. Roennfeldt, Ball, Kimber.

SCORERS—WEST TORRENS: Robertson 5.2, Hawke 3.3, Head 2.3, Pill 2.1, Kingston 1.4, Porter 1.2, Butler 1.1, Shearman 1.0, Gould 0.3, Hanrahan 0.1, Gibson 0.1. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Jackson 2.2, Grove 2.0, Ball 1.2, Kantilla 1.1, Backman 0.5, Wilson 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—WEST TORRENS: Landers (shoulder) replaced by Blight at three-quarter time. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Parker (leg) replaced by Stewart at three-quarter time, Gibbs (cut eye) replaced by Petersen during final term.

GOALKICKERS

	Today	Mchs.	Total
R. Johns (Port)	6.2	14	57.39
Hogan (West)	5.2	13	39.24
Kingston (Torrens)	4.1	11	38.31
Lill (Norwood)	3.2	14	37.27
Backman (South)	0.5	13	35.19
D. Thomas (West)	1.1	13	34.31
Hawke (Torrens)	3.3	13	32.34
Potter (Port)	3.0	14	30.28
Hicks (Sturt)	3.2	14	29.31
Sawley (Norwood)	3.2	14	28.31
Richens (Glenelg)	1.0	13	26.23

HIGHEST LEAGUE

Norwood 24-18 (162 pts.) South 6.11 (47 pts.)

SECONDS

South 15-11 101 pts.) North 6-8 (44 pts.)

ATTENDANCES

Glenelg Oval	11,000
Prospect Oval	8,800
Unley Oval	8,400
Thebarton Oval	5,400
Total	33,600

MILDARA

£220

TROPHY

*Points awarded (3, 2, and 2 points) for the Mildara Trophy by The Sunday Mail football experts are:

D. Hicks (S)	20½
C. Richens (G)	20½
L. Head (WT)	18½
K. Wedding (N)	18½
T. Lindner (NA)	18
R. Schoff (S)	15½
R. Shearman (WT)	15
N. Kerley (WA)	15
B. Sawley (N)	15
G. Motley (PA)	14½
D. Lindner (NA)	14½
J. Potter (PA)	14½

VIGOROUS BAYS THERE BY POINT

Height in the forward lines, two accurate boots and a great following effort by Long, gave Glenelg a one-point win over West in an exciting game at the Bay.

It was one of the most exciting games I have seen for a long time.

The scores went goal-for-goal for most of the day, and though Glenelg seemed to be strongly placed early in the last term, with a 15-point lead, West finished with a great burst, despite injury to a second of their ruckmen late in the term.

Their last attack in the last few seconds just failed to get home.

West, I think, had chances on two occasions to win; they can be said to have lost the game through mistakes that no doubt Kerley could have prevented.

But the Bays brilliantly won it also with attacking football that happened to go right at the right time.

It was well controlled by umpire Cunningham, and the accent was on positive football for the whole of the match.

West made an extensive reshuffle of their placings before the match to cover the loss of Campbell with flu.

Wallace came into the side as a follower and Bray was stationed at full forward in a surprise move.

Thomas going to centre half-forward and Barker to centre half-back. Garnett moved out to half-forward left.

Richens, playing his 100th game, lost the toss for Glenelg, but there was no wind to speak of and the ground seemed firm enough.

West began well, and, with DeBroughe playing strongly on the ball and their centreline in command, they attacked strongly.

Their kicking for goal was as good as their play further out, and they raised four goals without miss.

In the meantime, the Bays were having their share and Kernahan marked brilliantly near the goals to correct any advantage that West's small men were winning farther out.

West went to find the height of the Bay rucks

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West 5-2 6-7 11-10 14-16 100

and attack a constant problem.

At any rate, Kernahan scored three goals in this term, looked dangerous at other times, and generally held the fort while Rowe was striving hard further out for chances.

At the first bell West, by virtue of their small-man superiority and accurate kicking were 11 points ahead.



Long DeBroughe

In the second quarter the pattern for the game was finally set. The Bays made a two-goal burst through Cutten and Rowe to establish a slight lead.

From there developed a ding-dong struggle. The Bays were defending well against Garnett and Benton on the half-forward flanks; Thomas could rarely shake free of Linke; Abley stuck to Bray, and the resting ruck men marked well near the goals.

West scored a series of points, making a couple of costly misses late in the term when DeBroughe just failed to exploit promising situations.

At half-time the Bays had kicked more surely for their five-point lead.

In the third quarter West sent Villis, who had replaced ruckman-Thompson in the second quarter, to centre half-forward; Thomas now went on the ball. It was a good move.

Villis giving the attack a bit of pace. West now had their turn to hold the initiative, and with Hogan and Wright roving well, it looked as though they might break away.

Benton who had been closely guarded by Hunt, broke free to catch promising leads and kicked

three goals in this period.

The Bays fought back, and at some trouble got through to the big men; a free to Kernahan in the square raised one goal and a high mark just before the bell brought another.

At three-quarter time West were one point ahead.

In the last quarter Glenelg sent Westley to centre wing and Herron to half-forward right. They attacked briskly for three goals, with Richens prominent in sending the ball correctly to the goal front.

Rowe now scored his third and fourth goals from good marks, and Staitte, freed when interfered with as he tried to take a pass from Richens, added a third.

The Bays, 15 points up, seemed likely to go on to a good win.

However, as ever in this surprising game, West again had their turn, which lasted right to the final bell.

One goal six points was the sum of their efforts, as their little men attacked again and again—not haphazardly but without being able to get the last kick right.

With minutes to go, Hogan marked a ball from Garnett for a goal; with two minutes to go he scored another to put West five points ahead.

The next attack was Glenelg's and Rowe marked against strenuous opposition on a difficult angle about 25 yards out.

His kick was straight. The bounce was taken and West drove straight down, Garnett's kick being cleared off the ground near the goal mouth by a Bay defender.

The bell followed the throw-in and Glenelg had won by a point.

A thrilling match and a good one.

For Glenelg I thought Long was the outstanding player; he marked very well, stopped West at critical times, and drove Glenelg forward to good effect. A strong game.

Kernahan was treated as a dangerous opponent in the ruck and was dogged at every turn, but his five goals were invaluable and he still rucked effectively.

Richens played a good game against a couple of clever opponents. Rowe's five goals were all good and the last, appropriately, was a matchwinner and a really great achievement in the circumstances.

Hunt, Staitte, Cutten, and Abley played excellent games, and Campbell and Kendall stuck to their task solidly.

For West, DeBroughe played a strong battling game in the ruck, and despite uncertain kicking for goal was probably their best.

Day won a lot of kicks at centre—a big achievement against Hewett—and was always a nuisance to Glenelg at the bounces.

Wright and Hogan both played good games—Wright getting back to his speedy best and Hogan, as usual, beautifully neat in movements and disposal.

Eustice and Sara won their wings and gave good displays. Shrubsole had an excellent first half and a useful second.

Barker played solidly at centre half-back and O'Driscoll and Wallace showed useful form on the ball.



GLENELG'S D. LONG (No. 1) and K. Abley (No. 3) appear to keep in step as they fly over West's vice-captain, J. Wright, in the final minutes of the action-packed game at Glenelg Oval. The player on the left West's J. Wright.