

REDLEGS REMAIN UNBEATEN TEAM

By SAM GALLAGHER

Fighting back in the last quarter to a thrilling draw against Torrens at Thebarton, Norwood retained their unbeaten record in today's final series of the first round of league football. It was the first draw of the season.

At Richmond Port recovered from the shock of a strong third-quarter recovery by West. The Magpies won by 16 points.

First 1962 draw

Glenelg won convincingly by 26 points from North at the Bay, and are now one game out of the four behind West.

South male wholesale changes and produced a promising third quarter at Unley, but Sturt went right away at the finish to gain their first win for the season by the convincing margin of 55 points.

A crowd of 22,000 packed Thebarton Oval for the Norwood-Torrens clash.

Stan Wickham, who reported this game, said that the Redlegs, defeated across centre, and struggling in ruck, looked a beaten side at three-quarter time.

But Norwood, although they had few outstanding players, finished with great determination to outscore the Eagles 4-7 to 1.0 and tie the scores two minutes before the end.

Reporting the Richmond game, Jeff Pash said that the Magpies were clearly superior in the first half.

Peter Obst gave a brilliant display at centre, and Ian Hannaford won centre half-forward against Jeff Bray.

Half-time changes, including the switch of Eustice to centre and Garnett

to centre half-forward, started West on the way to recovery.

They were within six points at the last change, but Port, goalless in the third term, steadied to run out winners by 16 points.

Beaten decisively in ruck, North were struggling all day at the Bay. They were dogged by inaccuracy but, according to Bob Hank who saw this game, this was the result of a lack of concentration as much as anything else.

Bay ruckman Harry Kernahan continues in great form. He got five goals today.

A most pleasing aspect from the Bay point of view was the brilliant return of Bill Herron. He made centre half-forward a strongpoint throughout.

Glenelg are now in a position similar to Norwood's at the end of the first round last year.

They have won three games, are one game out of the four, and must be given an outside chance of making the finals.

A fine first half by veteran Len Fitzgerald enabled Sturt to establish a winning break against South at Unley.

South turned the team inside out and played a good third quarter but Sturt, despite Fitzgerald's retirement with bruised ribs at three-quarter time, had their attack working smoothly again in the last quarter to win easily.

Next Saturday Norwood are at home to West; South and North meet at Adelaide; and Sturt take on Glenelg at Unley.

Port and Torrens meet on the holiday at Adelaide Oval and should draw a big crowd.

Likely winners are Norwood, North, Glenelg, and Port.

Bays showed more purpose

By BOB HANK

More purpose in front of centre by Glenelg and a continual succession of errors by North Adelaide were the main reasons for the Bays' meritorious win on their home ground today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	4-2	7-4	13-6	17-8	110
North	2-7	4-12	9-15	11-18	84

The Tigers, who looked a winning side all day with their more direct methods, produced a brilliant burst of 6-2 in the third quarter that set the seal on their victory.

North, on the other hand, struggled all day and, although they handled the ball as often as Glenelg, too much could be labelled "mishandled."

Their handball was ill-directed and their kicking lacked the necessary thought for the man on the receiving end.

Seasoned players like Whitford, who had a ton of kicks on his wing in the first half, paid little heed to the elementary need of giving some thought to where the ball was going after it left the boot.

Strongpoint

Glenelg ruckmen Kernahan, Staite, and Blackburn set up a strong point in their division that they maintained throughout and, with Richens and Campbell shading the North rovers on the

tunities provided up forward by Ashby and Power.

Don Hewett at centre for the Tigers took some time to get into the game but, once he did, he gave his side great drive, whereas Power was unable to maintain the brilliance of his beginning.

Ashby began at centre half-forward in preference to Don Lindner, whose opponent, Haydn Linke, "followed" him to the flank, leaving Hunt to man the centre half-back for Glenelg.

Ashby dominated the position in the first half and it was surprising that Like was not switched over earlier than at half-time, when he began to gradually lessen the drive given North by the energetic Gulnare recruit.

Lindner switched to the left flank at the same time and became a much needed forward force from then on. But, at the same time, Chris Hunt appreciated his transfer to the flank and played a valuable second half for Glenelg.

The kingpin

Deslandes, who was a last-minute replacement for Cuten at full-forward, led well downfield and anything that went over his head was left in the capable and sticky hands of Harry Kernahan, who dropped in behind the long-leading Deslandes.

Five goals to Kernahan was positive proof of the success of this manoeuvre but the kingpin in the smoothly functioning Glenelg forward zone was Bill Herron at centre half-forward.

He made a triumphant return to league ranks and beat consistently the three defenders who were sent to oppose him — Gambling, Trenorden, and, finally, full-forward Pascoe.

North, with Don Lindner doing some of the things expected of him, actually hit the front early in the third quarter.

However, the Tigers were immediately stung into retaliatory action and this burst of scoring by both sides — nine goals were kicked in about half the quarter — produced a brand of football really worth watching.

Team effort

Glenelg deserved their 15-point lead at the last change and this week went right on with the job to put the issue beyond doubt with further constructive football.

Glenelg's win was a real team effort with several turning in outstanding performances.

None was more welcome than that of Herron, who jumped right into top form in his first league game since fracturing his ankle during the latter part of last season.

Kernahan's classical marking and straight kicking mark him as a player of class, while the roving and goalkicking of Richens and Campbell played havoc with the harried North defence.

North were a spirited combination, with only Ashby, Power, Whitford, and Hank Lindner handling the ball often enough to give themselves and their supporters some satisfaction.



W. Herron M. Whitford

fringes, the Tigers built their game on a solid foundation.

North had two outstanding winners in the first half but were unable to capitalise on the oppor-

Today's details at a glance

CONDITIONS: HEAVY

At Thebarton

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	1-0	6-5	10-8	11-8	74
Norwood	2-2	4-4	6-7	10-14	74

SCORERS—TORRENS: Kingston 5.2, Gibson 2.1, Dix 1.1, Young 1.1, Cowling 1.0, Mitchell 1.0, Russell 0.1, Head 0.1, Hawke 0.1. NORWOOD: Grantham 2.2, Daly 2.2, Oatey 2.0, Amery 1.4, Skinner 1.2, Lill 1.1, Kite 1.0, Sawley 0.2, rushed 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—TORRENS: Head, Cowling, Searle, Livesey, Butler, Shearman, Kingston. NORWOOD: Lill, Kneebone, Minervini, Amery, Wedding, Sawley, Skinner.

REPLACEMENTS—TORRENS: Mitchell replaced by Marchioro in last term. NORWOOD: Vickers (thigh) replaced by Ross at three-quarter time.

At Unley

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	5-2	9-9	11-14	17-17	119
South	2-2	2-6	7-9	9-10	64

SCORERS—STURT: Fitzgerald 4.0, Jarrett 3.0, Smith 2.1, Halbert 2.1, Guerin 2.0, Goodchild 1.3, Rigney 1.3, Martin 1.2, Coulter 1.1, Hicks 0.2, Murphy 0.1, rushed 0.3. SOUTH: Backman 3.1, Shaw 2.0, Christie 1.2, Peterson 1.1, Rossetto 1.1, O'Brien 1.0, Kantilla 0.2, Ploenges 0.1, Judd 0.1, Hilder 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Halbert, Hale, Rigney, Smith, Short, Hicks, Fitzgerald. SOUTH: Jackson, Christie, Schmidt, Rossetto, Lewis, Coleman, Gibbs.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Fitzgerald (bruised ribs) replaced by Guerin at three-quarter time. SOUTH: Shaw (knee) replaced by Wilson, Peterson (leg) by Shippides, both in the last quarter. Schmidt (cramp) also left the field in the last quarter.

GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Kingston (Torrens)	5-2	6	29-19
R. Johns (Port)	2-3	7	23-25
D. Thomas (West)	3-1	7	19-17
Backman (South)	3-1	6	19-5
Lill (Norwood)	1-1	7	18-15
Hawke (Torrens)	0-1	7	17-17
Hogan (West)	2-0	6	17-9
Sawley (Norwood)	0-2	7	15-15
Potts (North)	0-1	7	14-18
Hicks (Sturt)	0-2	7	14-16
Amery (Norwood)	1-4	7	14-15
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	4-0	7	14-9
Traynor (Port)	5-1	7	14-7

LEAGUE

Sturt 17-17 (119 pts.) South 9-10 (64 pts.)

SECONDS

North 20-14 (134 pts.) West 3-13 (31 pts.)

At Richmond

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3-2	8-7	8-11	12-15	87
West	2-0	4-3	8-5	11-5	71

SCORERS—PORT: Traynor 5.1, Johns 2.3, Luke 2.1, Matters 1.1, Potter 1.0, Marrett 1.0, Gill 0.5, I. Hannaford 0.2, Bray 0.1, P. Obst 0.1. WEST: Thomas 3.1, Hogan 2.0, Benton 1.1, DeBroughe 1.1, Barker 1.0, Garnett 1.0, Wright 1.0, Wallace 1.0, Sara 0.2.

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: Cahill, P. Obst, Hannaford, Potter, Traynor, Motley, Marrett, Elleway. WEST: Tregenza, Benton, Kerley, Barker, Williams, Reu, Hogan.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT ADELAIDE: Tierney (injured leg) replaced by Nyland at half-time. Eime (injured leg) replaced by Virgo in the last quarter. WEST ADELAIDE: Nil.

At Glenelg

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	4-2	7-4	13-6	17-8	110
North	2-7	4-12	9-15	11-18	84

SCORERS—GLENELG: Kernahan 5.1, Campbell 4.1, Richens 3.3, Herron 3.1, Deslandes 1.0, Butler 1.0, Davies 0.1, Blackburn 0.1. NORTH: Ashby 2.5, D. Lindner 2.0, Gilbourne 2.0, Pascoe 1.4, Trenorden 1.2, Bubner 1.1, Barbary 1.1, Jones 1.0, Potts 0.1, Whitford 0.1, rushed 0.3.

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Herron, Kernahan, Richens, Staite, Hewett, Beal, Gulliver, Campbell. NORTH: Ashby, H. Lindner, Power, Whitford, Gilbourne, Hall.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH ADELAIDE: Kent (ankle) replaced by Braunack during third quarter. Geisler (leg) replaced by Paull in final term. GLENELG: Nil.

PREMIERSHIP

	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst	Pts.	%
Norwood	6	—	1	683	471	13	59.18
Port	6	1	—	708	422	12	62.65
Torrens	5	1	1	691	483	11	58.85
West	4	3	—	603	526	8	53.41
Glenelg	3	4	—	659	761	6	46.40
North	2	5	—	518	595	4	46.54
Sturt	1	6	—	536	770	2	41.01
South	—	7	—	403	773	—	34.26

ATTENDANCES

Thebarton	22,000
Richmond	10,100
Glenelg	7,200
Unley	5,200
Total	44,500

MILDARA VOTING

Points (3, 2, and 2) awarded by The Sunday Mail football writers today for the Mildara Trophy were:—

SOUTH—Jackson, G. Christie, R. Schmidt.
NORTH—G. Ashby, T. Lindner, J. Power.
STURT—J. Halbert, B. F. Hale, R. Rigney.
WEST—A. Tregenza, B. Benton, N. Kerley.
TORRENS—L. Head, J. W. Cowling, Searle.
NORWOOD—J. Lill, R. Kneebone, P. Minervini.
PORT—J. Cahill, P. Obst, I. Hannaford.
GLENELG.—W. Herron, H. Kernahan, C. Richens.