

Today's details at a glance

GROUND: Firm. WEATHER: Fine.

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3-5	8-10	12-13	18-16	124
Sturt	2-5	4-7	6-11	7-14	56

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: Dixon, Geisler, Thomas, D. Hill, Pascoe, T. Lindner, Murch, Bloch.
STURT: M. Hill, Shepherd, Rigney, Cunningham, Murphy, King, D. Hicks, Grant.

SCORERS—NORTH: Murch 5.2, Thomas 3.1, Dixon 2.4, Martin 2.2, Gilbourne 2.1, Sheridan 1.3, Bloch 1.1, Barbary 1.1, Pascoe 1.0, Geisler 0.1.
STURT: Shepherd 2.1, Langridge 1.4, Rigney 1.3, Hicks 1.2, Weibusch 1.0, Woodgate 1.0, Jones 0.2, Halbert 0.1, Hill 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH: D. Lindner, replaced by F. Jones in last quarter. **STURT:** Adcock (gashed eye) replaced by G. Sims at three-quarter time. King, replaced by Blows in last quarter.

AT ALBERTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4-5	5-5	10-14	11-15	81
Torrens	0-1	3-3	3-4	6-7	43

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: Hayes, Potter, Traynor, Ladner, P. Obst, Hannaford, Rankin.
TORRENS: Bills, Payze, Rawson, Butler, Head, Graham, Braidwood, Lucas.

SCORERS—PORT: Potter 4.2, Traynor 4.2, Gill 1.1, Matters 1.1, Hannaford 1.0, T. Obst 0.3, Johns 0.2, Hayes 0.1, Marrett 0.1, P. Obst 0.1, Rushed 1.1, Matters 1.1, Hannaford 1.0, T. Obst 0.3, Johns 1.1, Gibson 1.1, Pill 0.2, Head 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Hannaford replaced by Philp in last quarter. Gill replaced by Huddleston in the last quarter. **TORRENS:** Lucas (leg) replaced by Blight at three-quarter time. Whitlock (leg) replaced by Connolly at three-quarter time.

AT RICHMOND

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	2-1	5-9	6-11	9-23	77
Norwood	1-3	2-4	4-8	5-10	40

BEST PLAYERS—WEST: Benton, Ryan, Bray, DeBroughe, Reu, Johnson, Day, Sara.
NORWOOD: Kneebone, Graham, Harrison, Kite, Gurney, Amery, McMahon.

SCORERS—WEST: Benton 2.6, Ryan 2.3, Kerley 2.1, Campbell 1.2, Thompson 1.1, Shrubsole 1.0, Sara 0.3, Eustice 0.2, Garnett 0.2, Hewitt 0.1, Rushed 0.2.
NORWOOD: Skinner 2.2, Amery 1.0, Daly 1.0, Sawley 1.0, Graham 0.1, Wedding 0.1, Minervini 0.1, Bowe 0.1, Kneebone 0.1, Hillman 0.1, Rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS—WEST: Eustice (blow in face) replaced by Hewitt in last term. **NORWOOD:** Minervini (thigh muscle) replaced by Curtis in third term. Daly (leg) replaced by Hillman in last term.

REPORTS.—B. Johnson (West) and **B. Bowe** (Norwood) reported for allegedly deliberately striking each other in third term. **G. McMahon** (Norwood) reported for allegedly striking **K. Eustice** in third term.

AT KENSINGTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	1-4	4-7	6-9	14-12	96
South	5-8	7-10	8-16	10-17	77

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Hunt, Westley, A. Linke, H. Linke, Sinclair, Richens, Kernahan.
SOUTH: Ploenges, Day, Skuse, O'Brien, Backman, Foster, Darley, Silva, Roennfeldt.

SCORERS—GLENELG: Sinclair 3.1, Richens 3.0, Westley 2.1, Kernahan 2.1, Payne 2.0, Rowe 1.2, Long 1.0, Cutten 0.3, Croser 0.1, A. Linke 0.1, Kendall 0.1, Rushed 0.1.
SOUTH: Day 4.3, Kantilla 2.2, Skuse 1.4, Backman 1.4, Jackson 1.1, Foster 0.1, Petersen 0.1, Rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: Long (thigh) replaced by Thompson at three-quarter time. Kendall (cramp) replaced by Gregory in last quarter. **SOUTH:** Skuse (cramp) replaced by Mills in last term. Jackson (leg) replaced by Durbridge in last quarter.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	Points	Prem.	%	
Port	2	—	200	101	4	66.45
North	2	—	223	138	4	61.77
West	2	—	135	88	4	60.54
Glenelg	1	1	152	173	2	46.77
Sturt	1	1	152	180	2	45.78
South	—	2	159	195	—	44.92
Torrens	—	2	91	139	—	39.57
Norwood	—	2	98	196	—	33.33

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Potter (Port)	4-2	2	9-5
Langridge (Sturt)	1-4	2	6-6
Murch (North)	5-2	2	6-5
R. Johns (Port)	0-2	2	6-2
W. Thomas (North)	3-1	2	5-6
I. Day (South)	4-3	2	5-3
Shepherd (Sturt)	2-1	2	5-2
Sinclair (Glenelg)	3-1	2	5-1

LEAGUE

HIGHEST North 18-16 (124 pts.) **LOWEST** Norwood 5-10 (40 pts.)

SECONDS

Glenelg 18-21 (129 pts.) Port 6-12 (48 pts.)
Centrals 7-6 (48 pts.)

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	12,900
Alberton	9,500
Richmond	6,500
Kensington	4,000
Total	32,000

IT LOOKS LIKE THE OLD NORTH

By SAM GALLAGHER

North Adelaide's decisive 68 point victory over Sturt was the outstanding result in today's league football.

The Red-and-Whites showed signs of the enthusiasm characteristic of their postwar premiership teams.

There were no real surprises today, although South at Kensington seemed to have the Bays well beaten before the last quarter.

Down 19 points at the change, Glenelg, despite the loss of Long, kicked 8-3 to 2-1 and finished 19 points up.

North looked a good side in their big win at Adelaide Oval.

Most impressive was their forward line-up, where Malcolm Dixon at centre half-forward was outstanding.

They won across centre, and seem to have found a good full-forward in Murch, who kicked five goals, marking particu-

larly well.

Not pressed

The North defence performed well, but was never under any real pressure, as only Shepherd of the Sturt forwards was consistently effective.

Sturt obviously missed Schoff at centre half-back but he could scarcely have made the necessary difference.

At Kensington South looked set for an early success when they led Glenelg by 3.1 at the last change.

But the Bays, lifted by their rucks, a great last quarter by Sinclair at centre half-forward and the success of Thompson at centre—the third player tried there—raced away to a meritorious win.

On this performance the Bays are a very fit side and their meeting with North at Glenelg next Sat-

urday will throw further light on North's high hopes.

West's greater speed was the deciding factor in a rugged game at Richmond, where three players were reported.

Advantage

The numerical and physical superiority of Port's rucks, despite a magnificent effort for Torrens by Ferd Bills, was the Magpies' main advantage in winning comfortably at Alberton.

Next week, Port and West meet on Anzac Day at Adelaide Oval, and the Magpies look too well equipped in ruck and in attack.

On Saturday Norwood and Torrens meet to decide who will be first to break through in 1963.

The Eagles could be strengthened by the return of Morrell, outstanding in the Seconds today, Shearman, and Russell, and look more settled than Norwood.

North may be too strong all round for Glenelg at the Bay, while Sturt should get in against South at Unley.

WEARY SOUTH COULD NOT HOLD GLENELG

By BOB HANK

A tiring South side and a freshening breeze helped a fast-finishing Glenelg convert defeat into victory in a bright finish at Kensington Oval.

South had looked the better side for three quarters, but Glenelg's blistering 8-3 last term left South with nothing but disappointment.

It seemed South should have won, for they held sway across centre all day and had two brilliant rovers in Ian Day and Alf Skuse.

On the other hand Glenelg didn't have a winning position for any length of time, yet were kept in distant touch by South failing to convert some relatively easy opportunities from close range.

Ian Day gave South first advantage of a light breeze to the northern goal, and they proceeded to play football of a class worthy of any team in the top bracket.

One point

Darley and Silva dominated the ruck work and with rover Skuse and the entire centreline backing them to the hilt, the Blue-and-Whites had raced 4-6 on the board to Glenelg's solitary point from rover Westley.

Young giant Peter Darley showed real class with fine ruck work, intelligent handball and some great marking, but was unfortunate to receive a couple of heavy knocks in the first half that blunted the edge of his game in the latter stages.

Glenelg were forced to reorganise in attack for their run downhill with Rowe coming out to Sinclair's centre forward position; Cutten to the goal-front, and Sinclair to the flank.

These moves, a helping roving hand from Colin Richens and an equalising effort from their ruckmen, produced the first positive Glenelg action that resulted in quick goals from Long, Richens, and Rowe.

But South came again and although they struck some strong defence from

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Hunt and Haydn Linke, they eventually got through for goals from Kantilla and Jackson.

At this stage Skuse was in everything for South but was unable to steer the ball straight.

After the long interval, quick goals from Payne and Kernahan put the Tigers only eight points down.

Slick half-forward Lindsay Backman shot South ahead with a running goal that stemmed from brilliant play by dashing wingman Brian Ploenges.

From then, on it was all South attacks, but six behinds in a row was poor

switching Jackson and Roennfeldt, both of whom had performed creditably in attack and defence respectively.

Richens and Kernahan came to life and with Sinclair too elusive for Jackson, the Bays rattled on goal after goal, interrupted only by three scoring shots from South—all to Day.

Darley was sent to centre half-forward but he had lost his early sting and South could not stop the Glenelg rush that swept to a three-goal win with South in particular feeling the pinch in the final stages.

Until the final term Glenelg were unable to claim a winning position, but in the run home everyone was aboard the band wagon.

Hunt had a handful with Backman as his opponent but he and Hadyn Linke had their moments across half-back and helped keep Glenelg in the early fight.

Ambrose Linke, on the wing, was the only Glenelg player to gain a percentage across centre, with Westley, early, and Richens, later, battling hard to keep the South roving pair in check.

The stars

South had the stars that make for individual satisfaction but Glenelg gained the two premierships points that are shared by the whole team.

Ploenges' speed and ball handling made him best affeld, with his partners, Foster and O'Brien, and rovers Day and Skuse gaining possession far more often than any of the opposition.

GLENELG supporters rallied well after their team's thrilling last minute win today, and donated trophies to Hunt, A. Linke, Long, Kernahan, and Richens.



Hunt

Ploenges

value for the fine play of Foster and O'Brien who joined Ploenges in controlling the attacking springboard across midfield.

Glenelg had a setback as captain-coach Doug Long limped off at three-quarter time with his replacement, Thompson, going to centre—the third man tried in this spot.

Strange move

As it turned out the new man was the only one to contain Foster and he had a lot to do with the Tiger's sudden upsurge that swept them to victory.

Sinclair was posted back to centre half-forward in the reshuffle and South made a strange move of