

CAN NORTH GO ON WITH RUN?



GLENELG RUCKMAN Kernahan seems to throw up his hands in despair as North half-back Trenorden (right), picks up the ball to clear in the Glenelg Oval clash today. Cutten (Glenelg) is about to tackle Trenorden, with Pascoe (North) on the left.

Today's details at a glance

GROUND: Heavy—WEATHER: Gusty

AT GLENELG

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	4-0	5-7	8-8	14-13	97
Glenelg	3-8	3-10	8-14	9-16	70

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: D. Lindner, Geisler, T. Lindner, Thomas, Hammond, Hill, Sheridan, Trenorden. **GLENELG:** H. Linke, Sinclair, Long, Campbell, Staite, Westley, Abley, Blackburn.

SCORERS—NORTH: Sheridan 4.4, D. Lindner 3.2, Dixon 2.2, Thomas 2.0, Geisler 1.1, Gilbourne 1.1, Murch 1.1, Hill 0.1, rushed 0.1. **GLENELG:** Campbell 2.2, Long 2.1, Sinclair 2.1, Richens 1.2, Westley 1.2, Cutten 1.2, Payne 0.3, A. Linke 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH: Dixon (head injury) replaced by Sheppard in the last quarter.

REPORTS—Pascoe (North) for allegedly kicking Westley (Glenelg) in second term. **Westley (Glenelg)** for allegedly kicking Pascoe (North) in second term. **Richens (Glenelg)** for allegedly striking D. Lindner (North) in second term.

AT NORWOOD

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norw'd	1-2	3-3	5-6	6-7	43
Torrens	1-2	1-5	2-8	4-16	40

BEST PLAYERS—NORWOOD: Sawley, Oatey, Kneebone, Wedding, Gimm, Nelson, Harrison, Kite, Turbill. **TORRENS:** Head, Shearman, Braidwood, Young, Paize, Rawson, Graham, Connolly.

SCORERS—NORWOOD: Sawley 3.3, Turbill 1.1, Oatey 1.0, Amery 1.0, Guernsey 0.1, rushed 0.2. **TORRENS:** Head 2.3, Young 1.1, Gould 1.0, Shearman 0.3, Gilbert 0.1, Connolly 0.1, Butler 0.1, Bills 0.1, Pill 0.1, rushed 0.4.

REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD: Feehan (broken leg) replaced by Wiesner early in the first quarter. Kelly replaced by Curtis in final term. **TORRENS:** Lucas and Gilbert replaced by Blight and Dix in last quarter.

AT UNLEY

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	3-1	8-7	10-10	14-10	94
South	3-5	4-5	9-6	12-7	79

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Cunningham, Hill, Jones, Langridge, Halbert, Adcock, Shepherd, Woodgate, Sims. **SOUTH:** Ploenges, Skuse, Darley, Kantilla, Schmidt, Day, Backman, Johnston.

SCORERS—STURT: Jones 5.2, Langridge 3.3, Shepherd 2.3, Jarrett 1.1, Hicks 1.1, Rigney 1.0, Halbert 1.0. **SOUTH:** Skuse 3.1, Backman 3.0, Darley 2.1, Day 1.2, O'Brien 1.1, Johnstone 1.0, Roennfeldt 1.0, Jackson 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Langridge replaced by Grant in last few minutes. **SOUTH:** Jackson (kicked ankle) replaced by R. Roennfeldt in second quarter. Petersen replaced by Wilson in last term.

AT ADELAIDE

(Played on April 25)

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	5-5	6-7	10-9	12-10	82
Port	0-2	6-4	8-9	11-15	81

BEST PLAYERS—WEST: Reu, Benton, Bray, Eustice, Day, Thompson, Kerley. **PORT:** Traynor, P. Obst, Hannaford, Potter, Fabian, Elleyway, T. Obst.

SCORERS—WEST: Benton 4.1, Ryan 3.1, Shrubsole 2.2, Thomas 1.0, Barker 1.0, Day 1.0, Roach 0.2, Thompson 0.1, rushed 0.3. **PORT:** Traynor 3.1, Potter 2.3, Hannaford 2.2, Johns 2.2, Virgo 2.1, T. Obst 0.1, Matters 0.1, P. Obst 0.1, rushed 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Motley (bruised thigh) replaced by Virgo in second quarter. Marrett (concussion) replaced by Kelly in last quarter.

GOALKICKERS

	Matches	Total
Potter (Port)	2-3	11-8
Langridge (Sturt)	3-3	9-9
R. Johns (Port)	2-2	8-4
M. Jones (Sturt)	5-2	8-4
Benton (West)	4-1	7-12
W. Thomas (North)	2-0	7-6
Murch (North)	1-1	7-6
Shepherd (Sturt)	2-3	7-5
Traynor (Port)	3-1	7-5
Sinclair (Glenelg)	2-1	7-2

ATTENDANCES

Norwood	11,500
Glenelg	10,000
Unley	7,000

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

South v. Norwood at Adelaide.
Port v. Glenelg at Alberton.
North v. West at Prospect.
Torrens v. Sturt at Thebarton.

By STAN WICKHAM

The big question arising from today's league results could well be: How good are North? Are they capable of toppling West and Port after winning their first three games?

Jeff Pash, who has seen North twice this season, does not feel that they are a great threat at the moment.

The Roosters' attack is their strong point. Across centre and in the rucks they are well served, but Jeff Pash feels the Achilles heel in the line-up is across half-back, where North are a bit touchy.

Glenelg half-forwards Sinclair and Westley were among the Bay's best today, so it could lend support to this thought.

As North's apparent weakness is defence, Glenelg must hold their forward division responsible for the possible loss of two games so far through bad goal shooting.

Bad kicking

Against Sturt in the opening match bad kicking cost them the result after having more shots, and again today with only one less shot they lose by 27 points.

A tightening of this section could be the way to success for the Tigers.

Bob Hank's comment on the Norwood-Torrens encounter was a plain "shocking display."

Norwood did break the ice to lift the spirit of the

Demon camp, especially as they were the underdog. But what did it bring forth as hope for future games?

Young Hillman, at centre half-forward, showed promise of better things, and with the experience Sawley alongside and Amery and Oatey scouting, the forward line could take up.

But players of the calibre of Aish and Lill cannot be replaced in a flash, and I fear the "Demon fire" will only be barely alight this season.

Torrens are in the doldrums, and, try as hard as Head and Shearman did today to get the Eagles moving into a methodical combination, they did not get the support.

Torrens are too good a club, and with too many excellent players, a good coach, and excellent administration, to be sitting at the bottom of the league ladder with three losses.

I feel this is a challenge to the Eagle camp which they will accept and hurl back in the faces of those critical of their per-

formances.

Their performances to date deserve criticism, so let it be constructive.

Torrens have the basis and names for a good team, but teamwork is the main essential of any successful body and this is where Torrens could be failing.

Delicacy

At Unley today the fans were treated to a football delicacy when South came back in grand style to off-set an indifferent first half against Sturt.

These two teams, South and Sturt, are going to make the top teams play flat out, and are well worth supporting for the whole season if they go on with this brand of football.

It was a hard-hitting game with players going down in many strong body clashes as they drove at the ball, and it was all legitimate hip and shoulder stuff, nothing vicious or spiteful.

Next week will give some light on North's potential when they tackle West at Prospect. It looks like West there.

I go for South to open their account against Norwood at Adelaide; Port should beat a troublesome Glenelg at Alberton; while Sturt must start favorites against the Eagles at Thebarton.

NORTH ATTACK DECISIVE

By JEFF PASH

A faster and more accurate attack enabled North to catch Glenelg in the last quarter and win by 27 points.

The Bays had their chances to clinch this game, after they had won the toss and kicked with the wind.

However, they kicked badly in the early stages and had not quite enough dash to cope with North's fast play-on in attack later in the game.

In the first quarter North kicked four goals without a miss to be only two points behind at quarter-time. They owed their good start to the sharp roving of Thomas and the brilliant manoeuvring of captain Don Lindner.

Quick drives

All day North were to be able to make the occasional quick start from the rucks and go clean through the Bay lines for goals.

Elsewhere they were to have grave troubles for long periods.

In the first quarter Sinclair and company at half-forward found the half-backs slow and cumbersome, and attacks poured in on Hammond and the full back line.

Luckily for North, the very big Glenelg men up forward could not get established — as they threatened to do; and both long and short attacks generally failed.

At quarter time, the Bays, by kicking three goals eight, had wasted their time with the wind.

In the second quarter North did not have the power in ruck to sustain a constant attack. The ground was heavy, and though the Lindners and Hill worked hard, they could not master the big team set against them in Long, Staite, Kernahan, and Payne.

Moreover Linke, Hunt, D. Lindner H. Linke

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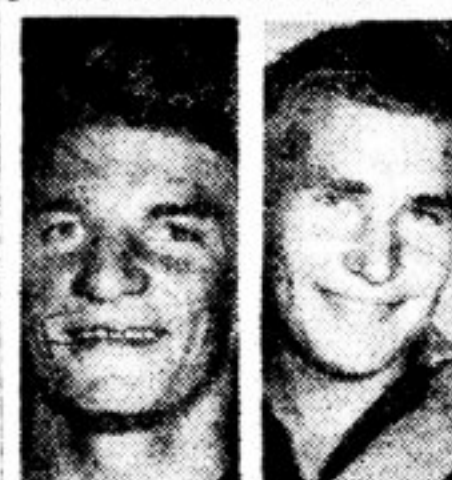
and Butler defended strongly against Dixon and company at half-forward. Geisler was the most effective player on the centre line, but Glenelg's rucks and followers always seemed to be at hand to catch the rebounds from half-back.

By half-time play had become stagnant. North had taken the lead, after kicking 1-7, but only by nine points, and were not playing well.

Spectators had become excited in this term when one or two minor "situations" occurred in the co-gest Bay forward lines.

No changes were made at half-time, and Glenelg prepared to stake their claim to the points. They badly needed goals, and it seemed at this stage that they were playing the better.

Again Sinclair had a brilliant quarter, with increasing support from Westley at half-forward right. The centre line battles were fairly even. North persevered with their half-back placings and though they could not catch Sinclair their defences held elsewhere.



Again, while the Bays scored five goals, North were able to get their isolated move through, with their half-forward line gradually beginning to break clear, and an invaluable three goals, again without a major miss, were scored.

The Bays had Long at full forward, but could not establish a strong post near the goals. A lot of strong following work therefore went unrewarded.

At three-quarter time North were six points behind, with the wind to help them in the last quarter.

Again both teams prepared to battle on unchanged, and for a while the game hung in the balance.

Glenelg attacked first, but could not get the goal that might have done the trick.

Finally, Gilbourne and Sheridan set the ball rolling for North with goals, and Sheridan, in a further brilliant burst, scored two more, after bringing the ball round the packs and shooting accurately from half-forward.

North's smaller players came strongly out in this period, and the game was gradually secured.

Glenelg switched Hunt to cover Sheridan, but it was too late. The Bays battled on to the last.

At the bell, North were 27 points to the good, not too clearly the stronger side, but certainly more efficient on the day and promising well enough, I think.

Star player

For North, I select their captain-coach Don Lindner as the best player. He managed a lot of the straight attacks that won the game, and played valiantly in the ruck against a long line of big, willing opponents.

Second vote goes to Geisler for three particularly brilliant quarters on the wing, and next to T. Lindner for a strong saving game behind the rucks (blemished by two or three mistakes in tackling).

Others to play well were Thomas, Hill, Trenorden, Hammond, Sheridan and Knuckey.

For Glenelg the two outstanding players were H. Linke and Sinclair — in that order, after some thought. Both won their positions and attacked quickly from advantage.

After those two there would be a gap to the rest. Quite a number played well, including Long, Campbell (a hardy type who deserves his chance), Staite, Abley, Blackburn, Westley (a promising game at half-forward), Hunt, and Thompson.

GLENELG'S new find at centre half-forward, Sinclair, would appear to be playing in his right position at last. As a schoolboy he was a promising centre half-forward, only to become a half-back when promoted to the league two or three seasons back.

GLENELG'S reinstated second rover, "Chesty" Campbell, really earned his place. A rugged ball-getter, he needs only some work done on his kicking to be a first-class rover. Two goals today were well earned.



M. HILL IN LEAD

Here are the leaders after today's games for the Mildara Football Trophy.

M. Hill (St)	8
J. Bray (WA)	7
B. Ploenges (SA)	6
L. Head (WT)	6
J. Potter (PA)	5½
C. Hunt (G)	5½
R. Benton (WA)	5½
G. Sinclair (G)	5½
F. Bills (WT)	5
M. Dixon (NA)	5

Drink the best, drink
MILDARA
WINES and BRANDIES



USING GLENELG ruckman Geoff Payne as a stepladder, North's Don Lindner (left) leaps high but misses this throw-in at Glenelg Oval today. Payne tapped the ball down to team-mate John Barnes (No. 25).