

QUICK LOOK AT LEAGUE GAMES

AT PROSPECT

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	5-1	5-2	8-7	12-9	81
North	1-2	4-7	4-9	4-12	36

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Murphy, Jarrett, Clarke, Clarkson, Hill, Bagshaw, Short. **NORTH:** Coppins, Trenorden, Barbary, D. Lindner, D. Hill, Taylor, Gilmour, Stringer.

SCORERS — STURT: Sawley 4.3, Rigney 2.1, Bagshaw 2.0, Clarkson 1.2, Hicks 1.1, Whicker 1.0, Langridge 1.0, Halbert 0.1, Dunn 0.1. **NORTH:** Stringer 2.2, D. Hill 1.1, D. Lindner 1.1, Geisler 0.2, Mitchell 0.2, Bussenschutt 0.1, Taylor 0.1, T. Lindner 0.1, Barbary 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Saddington (suspected broken thumb) by Rigney half-time. **NORTH:** Geisler (thigh) by Sheridan, last quarter. **UMPIRE—M. O'Connell.**

AT THEBARTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	6-5	7-7	11-11	13-15	93
Torrens	2-1	4-3	6-5	9-7	61

BEST PLAYERS—SOUTH: Darley, Kantilla, Alexander, Day, Jackson, Threadgold, Durbridge. **TORRENS:** Gibson, Rawson, Shearman, Head, Gould, Bills.

SCORERS—SOUTH: Darley 3.1, Roennfeldt 2.4, Kantilla 2.1, Rivers 1.2, White 1.1, Day 1.1, Christie 1.0, Judd 1.0, Backman 1.0, Kerley 0.1, Alexander 1.1, O'Brien 0.1; rushed 0.2. **TORRENS:** Wildy 3.0, Gould 2.2, Lawson 2.0, Head 1.1, Cowling 1.0, Miller 0.1, Howell 0.1, Shearman 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—TORRENS: Blight (thigh) by Hart, third quarter; Virgo (leg) by Gilbert, three-quarter time. **SOUTH:** Nil. **UMPIRE—R. C. Hall.**

AT WOODVILLE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	1-5	8-9	12-9	20-14	134
W'dville	3-1	4-2	6-7	7-9	51

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: Potter, Motley, Hudson, Marrett, Hayes, Cahill, Beaufoy, Traynor, Obst. **WOODVILLE:** Simunsen, Christie, West, Stone, Kelly, Perry, Bradley, Wilson.

SCORERS—PORT: Hudson 5.2, Beaufoy 4.0, Potter 3.5, Traynor 3.0, Cahill 1.2, Bray 1.1, Marrett 1.0, Philp 1.0, Gill 1.0, McKay 0.1, Hannaford 0.1, Errey 0.1, rushed 0.1. **WOODVILLE:** Perry 2.2, Christie 2.1, Smith 1.1, Young 1.0, Atkinson 1.0, Hoffman 0.2, Simunsen 0.1, Hansch 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Gill by Spencer, last quarter. **WOODVILLE:** Nil. **UMPIRE—B. A. Lees.**

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen'lg	7-6	10-11	12-14	14-19	103
West	2-3	4-7	9-8	12-10	82

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Button, Linke, Peek, D. Long, Richens, Sinclair, Abley, Kernahan. **WEST:** Pope, Bitmead, Thomas, Benton, Day, Villis, Bertelsmeier.

SCORERS—GLENELG: D. Long 5.4, Button 4.0, Sinclair 2.4, Westley 2.1, Rice 1.1, Kernahan 0.2, Anesbury 0.2, Peek 0.1, Rowe 0.1, rushed 0.3. **WEST:** Bertelsmeier 5.3, Hooper 3.0, Bitmead 1.3, Villis 1.0, McInerney 1.0, Burkett 1.0, Sara 0.2, Hughes 0.1, Johnson 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS — GLENELG: Westley by John, last quarter; Rowe by Roehrich, last quarter. **WEST:** Nil.

REPORTS—M. Peek (Glenelg) charged with striking D. Thomas (West), last quarter. **UMPIRE—R. LeCornu.**

AT ELIZABETH

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norw'd	2-1	7-7	8-9	11-14	80
Centrals	3-5	3-5	8-7	10-9	69

BEST PLAYERS—NORWOOD: Vertudaches, McMahon, Curtis, Kneebone, Wedding, Oatey. **CENTRALS:** Window, Stutley, Burns, Hayes, O'Brien, Lindner.

SCORERS—NORWOOD: McMahon 3.3, Oatey 2.1, Dunn 2.1, Sawley 1.2, Harrison 1.1, Truelove 1.1, Vertudaches 1.0, Hillman 0.1, Gurney 0.1, rushed 0.3. **CENTRALS:** O'Brien 3.1, Jarman 2.0, Burns 1.1, Smith 1.1, Lindner 1.1, Hayes 1.0, West 1.0, Donovan 0.3, Window 0.1, Eustice 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD: Oatey (shoulder) by Ingils, last quarter. **CENTRALS:** Holgate (leg) by Morey, third quarter.

REPORT—J. Hillman (Norwood) charged with striking K. Eustice, second quarter. **UMPIRE—K. G. Cunningham.**

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	14	3	—	1608	953	28	62.79
South	14	3	—	1542	1000	28	60.66
Sturt	12	5	—	1615	1311	24	55.19
Glenelg	10	5	2	1585	1382	22	53.42
Torrens	9	7	1	1574	1320	19	54.39
Norw'd	9	7	1	1369	1263	19	52.01
North	7	10	—	1239	1269	14	49.40
West	6	11	—	1199	1340	12	47.22
Woodville	2	15	—	955	1838	4	34.19
Centrals	—	17	—	926	1936	—	32.35

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
R. Sawley (Sturt)	4-3	17	49-27
McGowan (Glenelg)	—	16	42-29
Kingston (Torrens)	—	13	42-21
Dunn (Sturt)	0-1	17	41-24
Shearman (Torrens)	0-1	13	37-39
Head (Torrens)	1-1	15	37-27
Rice (Glenelg)	1-1	16	36-37
Potter (Port)	3-5	16	29-42
Skuse (South)	—	16	29-41
Button (Glenelg)	4-0	12	28-22

ATTENDANCES

Thebarton	9,828
Prospect	7,724
Adelaide	7,153
Woodville	4,441
Elizabeth	3,771
TOTAL	32,917

VICTORIES SETTLE FOUR

Wins to all four top teams opened a two-game margin between fourth and fifth ranking, and virtually settled the league final four.

Port and South, together at the top with 28 points, are certain to share the double chance, with Sturt and Glenelg meeting in the knock-out semi-final.

Only a sensational slump by the leaders could upset the present rankings.

With Darley and Kantilla controlling the rucks all day, South maintained a first-quarter advantage throughout to win from Torrens at Thebarton by 32 points.

Alexander's continued good form at centre half-forward against a strong

opponent in Shearman gives South's attack added power for the big games ahead.

At Prospect, Sturt were hard-pressed for two quarters by North.

An injury to Saddington forced a half-time reshuffle, and holding North goalless, the Blues went away to a 45-point win.

All Sturt's positional changes paid off. In the first half North's rovers were on top, but the in-

fusion of Rigney's determination lifted Sturt in this division.

He could be an important addition to the Blues' side for the major round.

Glenelg at Adelaide were clearly superior to West in the first half, but the Red-and-Blacks improved on a tame first half to put the Bays under strong pressure in the last term, before going down by 21 points.

Glenelg had winners everywhere before half-time, their half-forward line showing unexpected power, but they appeared to tire in the face of a determined West recovery.

Bays withstood bid by West

By SAM GALLAGHER

Fighting back strongly after Glenelg had outplayed them in the first half, West made a game of it at Adelaide, but went down in the end by 21 points.

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The Bays won practically everywhere before half time, forcing a number of changes by West.

Most significant of these was the switch of Sara and Bertelsmeier. Linke's complete dominance at centre half-back was the reason.

Denied the impetus of Sara's drive from centre, West were struggling in attack throughout the first half.

Bertelsmeier promised better things when the switch was made late in the second term, and this made the return to the original order after half-time all the more surprising.

However, West's judgment was vindicated as Sara's speed began to tell on Linke and Bertelsmeier played a brilliant third quarter, getting four goals from as many shots with faultless kicking from difficult positions.

Glenelg in the last quarter lost their control of the wings, and West ranged to within 11 points.

Made safe

However, the Bay defence, steadied by Richens and bolstered by a strong last term from Parker, stopped West from getting any closer.

The field play of the Bay rucks, strong throughout, carried them into attack through the brilliant But-

ton to make the game safe.

Glenelg's stocks slumped before the game when McGowan was unable to take his place in the side.

Seconds rover Rowe was the replacement. He gave a promising display in his first league game.

Day and Sara put Glenelg's defence under sudden pressure after West won the toss, but the Bays rebounded as their rucks took control of the field play.

Kernahan in particular was most effective, and the fast-moving Bay half-forward line carried the attacks home.

McInerney's strong following drove West to within seven points, but then Glenelg's superiority on the wings gave the half-forward line the chance to put the ball within scoring distance. There West had no answer to Doug Long, and Sinclair's dash was also dangerous.

Stiffened

Villis went to half-back right, Thomas made his presence felt and West lifted slightly as Benton dashed into the game. Bitmead and Hooper worked hard to make up the drive lacking in the set forward positions.

But Linke caught everything catchable at half-back, and although Pope and Villis stiffened West's half-back line, Glenelg's



Rodney Pope... gave West drive.

advantage across centre and Button's brilliance at half-forward took the Bays further ahead at the change.

West now reorganised further. Hughes was on the wing, and Benton roving.

This was West's best quarter. They went for the ball with much greater determination.

After two goals from Button had increased Glenelg's lead to 42 points, West took control.

Day and Pope gave West drive down the middle to offset Glenelg's power on the wings, and the Red-and-Black rovers came strongly into the game.

West switched their wings for the run home, and got drive from these positions for the first time.

Hughes' strong finish brought Burkett into the game, and for a time Glenelg were in danger.

However, the Bays had enough in reserve on the centre line and in ruck to capitalise on the steadiness of Richens and Parker in defence, and bring Button decisively into the game again.

AT THE MATCH OF THE DAY

HOLD THAT TIGER! IN THE FIRST HALF, AT ADELAIDE, THE TIGER GAT ON WESTIES (JUST PLAYED WITH EM?)

THAT WAS NO LOVE POTION No 9 THAT GEOFF SARA HAD TO SWALLOW TILL HALF-TIME — AND HE CERTAINLY SHOWED HIS DISTASTE FOR IT LATER

NO, NO! I DON'T LOVE IT — I'M HAYDN IT!

BUT THE BLOODHOUND CAME BACK LIKE A GUIDED MISSILE IN THE SECOND —

ONLY TO FALL JUST SHORT OF TARGET

ALSO, WE HEAR, FITZIE NEEDS BETTER FORWARD LINES... ON, SURE... SURE... LIKE HE NEEDS A HOLE IN THE HEAD!

VENTILATOR FOR HEAT FROM VERY RED FACE

HAYDN LINKE WAS BEST MAN AFIELD

APART FROM THE THIRD TERM — AND WESTIES' FOURTH QUARTER FURST, GLENELG FOUND THE LONG WAY 'ROUND THE SWEETEST WAY HOME.

DOUG THOMAS SHONE CONSISTENTLY BRIGHT FOR FOUR QUARTERS.

BARRACKERS' CORNER B-BUT-WESTIES' 'DOMINANT' ON THE BISCUIT-TIN — NOT IN IT! LIKE THE COCKY ON THE BISCUIT-TIN — NOT IN IT!