

# NORWOOD DIVE TO BAD SIXTH

## PREMIERSHIP LIST

	W.	L.	For	Acts.	Pts.	Prem.	%.
Port	11	1	985	805	22	55.03	
South	10	2	1095	765	20	58.87	
Sturt	8	4	1186	816	16	59.24	
North	8	4	1067	930	16	53.43	
Glenelg	7	5	1065	1196	14	47.10	
Norwood	6	6	1021	933	12	52.25	
West	3	9	955	1070	6	47.16	
Woodville	3	9	930	1110	6	45.59	
Torrens	2	10	809	1098	4	42.42	
Central	2	10	951	1344	4	41.51	

## By SAM GALLAGHER

Wins to the leading teams left the top four intact after today's league series, but Norwood, beaten by South at Adelaide, lost fifth place to Glenelg.

The Bays won a hard-fought game at Glenelg from the rapidly improving Central Districts.

League leader Port Adelaide got in by only 12 points over ninth-ranked Torrens at Thebarton.

At Adelaide, Norwood were with South at the end of the first quarter, but the Panthers, with Skuse getting five goals from half-forward, gradually went away to a comfortable 32-point win.

Sturt took three quarters to break clear of West at Unley. It was not until the last quarter that the Blues' attack moved with any freedom, but they ran out comfortable winners by 34 points.

### Gave fight

At Glenelg, Central Districts gave the Bays a fright in the first half, and were within five points at one stage in the last quarter, before going down by 25 points.

However, Woodville, also a last-start winner, were disappointing against North at Prospect.

With their stars eclipsed, they went down by 68 points.

In a game in which defences generally were on top, Port's ability to make the most of the breaks enabled them to keep their head in front of a vastly improved Torrens at Thebarton.

Fred Bills played a fine game at centre half-back on Eric Freeman, but Freeman was still Port's main scorer, getting four goals.

Port's performance today was not helped by the heavy demands on their State players, but their narrow win suggests the Magpies' leadership will be strongly challenged by South when they meet at Adelaide on August 7.

### Broke even

Both should get through the intervening games, although South's meeting with Sturt at Unley on Saturday week and Port's clash with Norwood at Norwood on July 31 could cause some concern.

Against South at Adelaide today, Norwood could not establish a winner ahead of centre.

They broke even on the centreline but were outplayed elsewhere.

South half-back Rivers was best on the ground.

The Redlegs are now two games out of the four, and although they have a favourable draw in the remaining games, their chances of making up the leeway are not bright.

The game against Sturt at Norwood on July 24 will be crucial.

State rover Colin Rice was outstanding in Glenelg's win over Central. He kicked seven goals.

Dean Stringer reported that Rice was the difference between the two sides. He was the inspiration behind Glenelg's third-quarter recovery, with three goals in as many minutes.

In fifth place now, Glenelg trail North by one game.

Their program for the rest of the season is tough.

Their clash on August 14 at Prospect could be decisive.

However, the Red-and-Whites' superior percentage means that Glenelg probably will have to make two games to reach the finals.

## RARE PAIR OF GOALS

RARELY are two goals kicked without the ball being bounced at centre, but it happened at Glenelg today.

During the second term Medhurst was given a free about 20 yards from goal.

As he goaled Barron was interfered with and was immediately given a free in the goal square. Barron goaled.

NORTH player Peter Bottroff has probably never had such rapid promotion as he received today.

Originally named as a reserve for the Seconds, he came into the League 20 when Bob Gilbourne withdrew with an infected toe.

## LEAGUE DETAILS

### AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	2-2	7-5	10-9	12-15	87
Nwd.	2-1	4-5	5-7	8-7	55

BEST PLAYERS—SOUTH: Rivers, Skuse, Kantilla, Jackson, White, Kerley, Schmidt. NORWOOD: Pickering, Bunton, Redden, Wiesner, Modra, Bowe, Harrison.

SCORERS—SOUTH: Skuse, 5.2, Threadgold 2.4, Kantilla 2.1, Judd 1.1, Stewart 1.0, White 1.0, Roberts 0.2, Ploenges 0.1, Howlett 0.1, Kerley 0.1, rushed 0.2. NORWOOD: Pickering 2.1, French 2.0, Brewer 1.2, Kneebone 1.1, Harrison 1.0, Gurney 1.0, Woodcock 0.2, Bunton 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—SOUTH: Nil. NORWOOD: Vickers (leg) by Dyke, third term. UMPIRE—M O'Connell.

### AT THEBARTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	5-2	9-3	10-12	12-15	87
Torr.	3-3	6-6	8-7	11-9	75

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: Motley, Spencer, Elix, Matters, Philp, Freeman. TORRENS: Bills, G. Payze, Kingston, Gilbert, Lee, Head.

SCORERS—PORT: Freeman 4.3, Traynor 2.1, Philp 2.1, Matters 2.1, Poater 2.0, Bray 0.3, Beaufoy 0.1, Moore 0.1, rushed 0.4. TORRENS: Mulvihill 3.2, Pill 2.2, Head 2.0, Lee 2.0, Kingston 1.3, Wright 1.0, Butler 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Cooper by Moore, last term. TORRENS: Lipp (thigh) by Kruse, last term. Wildy (hip) by Dix, third term. UMPIRE—M. Posa.

### AT PROSPECT

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3-6	5-12	8-15	16-18	114
Wdv.	1-2	3-7	4-9	6-10	46

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: Sheridan, Pascoe, Robinson, Sutter, Farrell, Bloch, Trenorden, Ryan. WOODVILLE: West, Kneebone, Allen, Perry, Braidwood, Hoffman.

SCORERS—NORTH: Thomas 4.2, Robinson 4.0, Ryan 2.1, Stringer 2.1, Braunack 1.3, Sheridan 1.3, Jaworskyj 1.0, Bottroff 1.0, Hill 0.5, Pascoe 0.1, Phillips 0.1, rushed 0.1. WOODVILLE: Laing 2.0, Hoffman 1.1, Perry 1.1, Christie 1.1, Hainsch 1.0, Simunsen 0.3, Clasohm 0.2, Obst 0.1, Braidwood 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH: Hill (knee) by Bottroff, last term. Sutter (groin) by Knowles, last term. WOODVILLE: Williams by Everingham, last term. Allen by Patterson, last term. UMPIRE—B. A. Lees.

### AT GLENELG

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	3-7	5-9	12-13	16-18	114
Cent.	4-1	9-4	11-5	13-11	89

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Rice, Long, Peek, Sutherland, Mills, Kernahan. CENTRAL: Middleton, Grlusich, Smith, Barron, Phillips, Stutley.

SCORERS—GLENELG: Rice 7.2, Button 3.3, McGowan 1.4, Peek 1.3, Long 1.3, Kernahan 1.0, Anesbury 1.0, John 1.0, Symonds 0.1, rushed 0.2. CENTRAL: Daly 3.0, Window 2.2, Dickson 2.1, Medhurst 2.0, Grlusich 1.3, Barron 1.2, McGee 1.2, Middleton 1.0, Smith 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: Morony (cramp) by Rosewarne, last term. CENTRAL: Daly (leg) by Haylock, last term.

REPORT—Blackburn (Glenelg) for allegedly striking Window. UMPIRE—R. M. LeCornu.

### AT UNLEY

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	3-2	3-4	5-10	11-14	80
West	0-2	2-9	5-9	6-10	46

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Jarrett, Schoff, Schwarz, Rigney, Adcock, Halbert. WEST: Bertelsmeier, Burkett, Hooper, Pope, Bennetts, Benton, Thompson, Thomas.

SCORERS—STURT: M. E. Jones 3.3, Rigney 2.3, Langridge 2.0, M. S. Jones 1.1, Clarkson, 1.1, Tilbrook 1.0, Halbert 1.0, Dunn 0.2, Zoanetti 0.1, Murphy 0.1, Cunningham 0.1, rushed 0.1. WEST: Thompson 2.0, Sara 1.2, DeBroughe 1.1, Hooper 1.1, Hughes 1.0, Campbell 0.2, Bertelsmeier 0.2, Bitmead 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Langridge by Dunn, three-quarter time. Cunningham by Thomas, last term. WEST: Nil. UMPIRE—D. T. Durbridge.

## TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Brewer (Norwood)	1-2	12	46-27
Button (Glenelg)	3-3	11	38-30
W. Thomas (North)	4-2	11	34-22
Skuse (South)	5-2	10	32-31
Freeman (Port)	4-3	10	31-29
Daly (Central)	3-0	12	30-19
Halbert (Sturt)	1-0	10	28-28
M. E. Jones (Sturt)	3-3	8	28-16

## ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	14,275
Thebarton	6,650
Unley	6,460
Glenelg	5,973
Prospect	4,860
Total	38,218

## NEXT WEEK

South Australia v. Victoria (Adelaide).

# SPEEDY BULLDOGS WORRIED TIGERS

## By DEAN STRINGER

A superb display of roving by Colin Rice, capped with seven goals, lifted Glenelg to victory after a closely fought game against Central Districts at Glenelg Oval today.

The greatly improved Bulldog team virtually lead the Tigers until midway into the third term.

Throughout the day Central matched Glenelg in speed, determination, and in ruck work.

Central replaced twentieth man Fulton with Townsend before the game. Conditions were perfect as Window, playing his 100th game with Central, lead them on to the field.

A fairly strong breeze worth perhaps three goals favored the southern end when Kernahan won the toss and kicked with the wind.

### Bad tactics

The Bulldogs displayed tons of speed and courage right from the first bounce and immediately went straight into attack.

Glenelg appeared a little sluggish early and fumbled badly in their early attacks.

It was obvious after the first 10 minutes that Glenelg were going to have trouble controlling Grlusich at centre half-forward.

When the Bulldogs got their third goal against the breeze to hold a slight lead, things appeared very rosy for them.

The Tigers on the other hand, were crowding their forward lines and making the Bulldog defenders' job much easier.

Two quick goals by Daly late in the term brought the scores level which gave an impression that the Bulldogs would really move when they turned with the wind.

For 20 minutes of the second term this proved to be correct, as Central con-

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trolled the play forward of centre.

The anticipated Glenelg ruck advantage had not eventuated, as Middleton and Smith controlled the hit-outs with apparent ease.

### Rice a winner

Inexperience up forward was costly to Central as many players blazed away at goal without steadying themselves.

During this term Grlusich was well on top and, in an effort to curb him, Glenelg brought out Sutherland.

Late in the term the Tigers got back into the game when goals came from Button and Rice.

Rice had been their only real attacking player. He always looked dangerous when he rained possession of the ball.

Central during this term had played well and their handy half-time lead had been well deserved.

However, it was evident that if they were to hold this lead they would have to continue to control the rucks and curb Rice.

For the early part of the third term it looked as though Central would be able to hold the Tigers, but then Rice came on the ball.

In three minutes the diminutive rover kicked three goals, and in so doing, inspired the whole of his side.

The rucks, centre line, and half-forwards all suddenly sprang into action as they took complete charge of the game.

Central quickly switched

Grlusich, who had been playing well at centre half-forward to centre half-back in an effort to stop the Tigers, but it was to little avail.

### Off line

The breeze had died away to be of little value when the last term started. Grlusich was back at half-forward for Central, and immediately drove them forward. Unfortunately, the first three Bulldog attacks were all off line.

After 12 minutes of play, Dickson flashed through the pack to goal and bring Central to within five points of the Tigers.

For a while it appeared that the Bulldogs would go on with it, but again two quick goals to Rice, and one to Long, put the game safe for the Tigers.

Colin Rice was clearly the best player afield today. When things looked black for the Tigers, this clever, elusive rover flashed into the play. His disposal and kicking for goal left little to be desired.

Long rucked strongly, particularly after half-time, and Peek, although he had few more kicks than his opponent, used them to advantage.

I name Middleton as the best for Central. He rucked consistently for four quarters, and apart from a brief period in the third quarter, was rarely beaten for the hit-outs.

Grlusich again showed his class. He positioned himself beautifully for marks, and some of his handballs were excellent.



## THE LEADERS

- 11—Kerley (South).
- 10—Rice (Glenelg).
- 9—Day (West), Freeman (Port), Eustice (Central).
- 8—Motley (Port).

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- 7—Sheridan (North), Skuse (South), Halbert (Sturt), Pascoe (North), White (South).