

SOUTH COULD MISS FOUR!

By SAM GALLAGHER

LEAGUE DETAILS

AT NORWOOD

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Nwd.	5-6	7-7	14-12	18-13	121
Glen.	0-1	4-7	5-9	11-14	80

BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD: Brewer, Bunton, Inglis, Vickers, Redden, Woodcock, Modra. **GLENELG:** Richens, Kernahan, Long, Sinclair, Kendall, Mills, McGowan.

SCORERS — NORWOOD: Brewer 10.3, Martin 3.2, Gurney 3.0, Oatey 1.3, Woodcock 1.2, Kneebone 0.2, Vickers 0.1. **GLENELG:** Button 4.2, McGowan 2.1, Long 2.1, Sutherland 1.4, Anesbury 1.1, Morony 1.0, Rice 0.2, Kendall 0.1, Kernahan 0.1, Moss 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS — NORWOOD: Nil. **GLENELG:** Noonan (shoulder) by Peek, first term; John (cramp) by A. Long, three-quarter time.

Umpire—B. A. Lees.

AT ELIZABETH

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Cent.	1-3	3-10	6-13	9-20	74
South	2-3	2-7	4-13	6-16	52

BEST PLAYERS.—CENTRAL: Window, Medhurst, Bentley, Eustice, Daly, McGee, Hayes, Martin, Smith, Barron. **SOUTH:** Backman, Kantilla, Ploenges, Ross, Kerley, Butcher, Schmidt, Roberts.

SCORERS—CENTRAL: Daly 2.5, Window 1.4, Edmonds 1.3, McGee 1.2, Kennedy 1.2, Barron 1.1, Kemp 1.0, Smith 1.0, Medhurst 0.2, rushed 0.1. **SOUTH:** Ross 3.2, Backman 2.1, Roberts 1.0, Kantilla 0.4, Howlett 0.3, Butcher 0.1, Sims 0.1, Skuse 0.1, Threadgold 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS — CENTRAL: Nil. **SOUTH:** Schmidt (leg) by Whitford, three-quarter time.

Umpire—R. LeCornu.

AT THEBARTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	1-6	6-9	10-11	14-15	99
Torr.	2-2	7-8	10-11	12-14	86

SCORERS.—STURT: Hicks 4.1, Dunn 4.0, M. E. Jones 2.2, Halbert 1.3, Langridge 1.3, Schwarz 1.0, Tilbrook 1.0, Bagshaw 0.1, rushed 0.5. **TORRENS:** Pill 5.0, Head 2.4, Kingston 2.3, Isaacs 1.1, Butler 1.0, Lee 1.0, Wright 0.1, Gilbert 0.1, Cowling 0.1, rushed 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS.—STURT: Nil. **TORRENS:** Dillon by Cowling, last term. Isaacs (leg) by Dix, last term.

UMPIRE.—K. G. Cunningham.

REPORT: Ted Langridge (Sturt) by umpire K. G. Cunningham, for alleged undue rough play against Tracy Braidwood (Torrens), third term.

BEST PLAYERS — STURT: Hicks, Langridge, Adcock, Schwarz, Bagshaw, Jarrett. **TORRENS:** Kingston, Pill, Butler, Head, G. Payze, Bills.

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	5-3	9-7	12-13	18-15	123
Wdv.	6-1	10-7	11-9	14-14	98

BEST PLAYERS.—WEST: Hughes, Pope, Burkett, Loveday, Day, Bitmead, Sims. **WOODVILLE:** Allen, O'Connor, Perry, Hansch, Stone, Williams, Christie.

SCORERS. — WEST: Sims 5.2, Bitmead 3.3, Burkett 3.1, Shueard 2.0, Hughes 1.5, McGrath 1.2, Thomas 1.0, Jonas 1.0, Pfitzner 1.0, Browne 0.1, rushed 0.1. **WOODVILLE:** Clasohm 4.2, O'Connor 3.0, Braidwood 2.2, Christie 1.5, Atkinson 1.1, Young 1.1, Hoffman 1.0, Hansch 1.0, Perry 0.1, Allen 0.1, Webb 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS.—WEST: Day (cramp) by Bertelsmeier, last term. **WOODVILLE:** Atkinson (knee) by Dick, third term.

UMPIRE.—D. L. Foster.

AT ALBERTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	2-2	5-5	6-7	11-11	77
Port	6-3	6-3	9-6	9-8	62

BEST PLAYERS.—NORTH: Carns, Hill, Hammond, Dixon, Robinson, Ryan, Anderson. **PORT:** Cooper, Spiers, Ellaway, Cahill, Philp, Potter.

SCORERS — NORTH: Anderson 5.1, Taylor 2.1, Hill 2.0, Dixon 1.3, Ryan 1.2, Thomas 0.2, Bloch 0.1, Francou 0.1. **PORT:** Philp 2.0, Freeman 2.0, Salmon 1.2, Cahill 1.0, Potter 1.0, Mead 1.0, Traynor 1.0, Matters 0.3, Nyland 0.2, Errey 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS.—NORTH: Nil. **PORT:** Matters (leg) by Bray, last term.

Umpire—R. C. Hall.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	W.	L.	Points	Prem.	%	
Port	15	3	1583	1220	30	56.48
South	13	5	1625	1162	26	58.31
Sturt	12	6	1793	1273	24	58.48
Norwood	12	6	1754	1398	24	55.65
North	12	6	1616	1397	24	53.63
Glenelg	10	8	1588	1763	20	47.39
Central	6	12	1440	1866	12	43.56
West	4	14	1372	1796	8	43.41
Torrens	3	15	1284	1697	6	43.07
Woodville	3	15	1343	1826	6	42.38

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Brewer (Norwood)	10-3	18	88-49
Freeman (Port)	2-0	16	60-40
Button (Glenelg)	4-2	17	56-42
W. Thomas (North)	0-2	17	52-35
Halbert (Sturt)	1-3	16	48-44
M. E. Jones (Sturt)	1-2	14	44-24
Skuse (South)	0-1	15	37-39
Daly (Central)	2-5	18	37-37

Last year's premiers, South Adelaide, who three weeks ago seemed to be gathering power for the 1965 title, are in danger of losing their place in the final four following their defeat by Central at Elizabeth today.

South's loss was unexpected, but the big surprise of the day was North's great win over Port at Alberton.

Defeat of the two leading teams and Sturt's close call against Torrens at Thebarton makes the battle for this year's flag the most open for many years.

Port are safe in top position for the time being but South, only one game clear of Sturt, Norwood and North, meet Sturt at Adelaide next week and the week after clash with North at Prospect to complete the minor round.

Both sides have beaten South previously this year, North at Adelaide, and Sturt at Unley.

If North, Sturt, and Norwood win their remaining games, South will finish out of the four.

Come to life

However, if South beat Sturt next Saturday, North could get in at the expense of the Blues.

Norwood finish the season with games against Woodville and Central.

They should win the first at Norwood, but the match against Central at Adelaide will be a different proposition.

Apart from Port, none of the other four sides in the fight can afford to lose a game.

Unlike last year, when South and Port were clearly superior to the rest, this year's competition has come to life with a vengeance.

Lost control

Against North, Port's forward weakness was evident.

Although the Magpies lead the premierships ladder, their total of points scored would place them sixth behind Glenelg.

And today their defence lost control at vital stages.

Anderson, at full forward, kicked four of North's first five goals to bring them up with Port at half-time.

As North stormed to the attack in a great last quarter, Port had no answer to Hill and Taylor in the forward lines.

North's performance without captain-coach Don Lindner made them worthy title contenders—if they can make the four.

This was Port's first defeat at Alberton this year.

Central's 22-point margin over South was further justification, if any were needed for the new team's chances in the future.

The switch of Window to centre half-forward after Griusich had appeared indispensable to Central's success in attack came off brilliantly.

He outclassed Dick Jackson, forcing the switch of Bob Schmidt, who had to leave the field at three-quarter time.

Although injuries have played their part, South's game has lost its zest and the Panthers at present are moving like anything but a premierships side.

Tied scores

At Thebarton, Sturt, with John Halbert kept out of the game to a large extent by Fred Bills, were battling to win after Torrens tied the scores at three-quarter time.

A late burst by the Blues' rovers got them home.

Norwood won well from a determined Glenelg at Norwood, while for West, their win over Woodville was a welcome change of fortune.

Brewer's 10 goals in a great team game was a major contribution to the Redlegs' win.

Glenelg won in ruck and only Woodcock won consistently at half-forward.

BREWER 10 IN REDLEGS' WIN

By SAM GALLAGHER

A brilliant display by full forward Ian Brewer kicked Norwood to a convincing 41-point win over Glenelg in a rugged game at Norwood Oval.

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With Brewer getting four of Norwood's five first-quarter goals, the Redlegs led by 35 points at the first change but Glenelg shook their control with a determined second quarter.

The Bays continued to match Norwood into the third quarter but over the second half of the term, the Redleg's improved by Bunton's creative football went to an unbeatable lead.

Glenelg struck early trouble at full back as Brewer's skill was obviously too much for Parker.

Linke did better but it was Norwood's power on the full forward line, where Gurney and Brewer got five goals between them in the match-winning third quarter, that made the game safe for the Redlegs.

Glenelg fought on strongly in a rugged last quarter without making any significant headway.

The Redlegs had to win without the influence usually exerted by Bill Wedding.

Harry Kernahan played well to stop any drive from the big fellow.

Norwood's first quarter burst was generated by Nygaard at centre and the half-back line.

Glenelg's switch of Kendall to centre in the second quarter cut Norwood's drive from this position.

Stopping Norwood at half-back, where Sinclair played strongly throughout on Kneebone, Glenelg got right into the game.

Sinclair was strongly supported by Hunt in the first half.

The Bays also got drive from Richens, playing just behind centre on the resting Norwood rover.

Finding an occasional gap in Norwood's half-back line, Glenelg got to within 13 points before Norwood's handball carried the ball to Brewer for his sixth goal.

The Redleg switch of Inglis to centre late in the second quarter looked drastic as Nygaard had played a fine first quarter but Inglis, who had kept Button to one or two kicks, continued to play strongly in the middle to be one of Norwood's best.

Before Norwood broke away the Bays seemed to be matching them everywhere.

Kernahan outplayed Wedding, Mills won his wing, making up for Modra's ascendancy on the other side, and Sutherland's height at half-forward right worried Nygaard.

The switch of Button to full forward brought him into the game. He goaled early in the third quarter but then had few opportunities as Norwood applied the pressure in attack.

Button got three more goals in the Bays' strong last quarter as Kendall drove from the pivot, Kernahan finished on in ruck and the rovers became a force for the first time.

But Norwood's powerful third quarter put them out of danger and their ability to make the most of fewer opportunities in the run home, prevented a strong Glenelg finish from becoming dangerous.

ATTENDANCES

Norwood	11,919
Alberton	9,184
Thebarton	8,089
Elizabeth	5,400
Adelaide	3,043
Total	37,635

NEXT WEEK

South v. Sturt (Adelaide).
Central Districts v. West (Elizabeth).
Glenelg v. Port (Glenelg).
Norwood v. Woodville (Norwood).
Torrens v. North (Thebarton).

In the third quarter Norwood scored seven goals but they were, in fact, outscored by two goals in the second term and two goals in the final quarter.