

# SOUTH AND STURT PROVE POWER

By SAM GALLAGHER

A narrow win by unbeaten South and Sturt's return to winning form were highlights of today's league round, played in wet and windy conditions.

South withstood another strong finish by Norwood to win by seven points, while Sturt sewed up game up in the first quar-

ter and won by seven goals from West. Bleak weather kept attendances and scores down, Sturt's tally of 13-18

being the highest of the series.

At Alberton, Torrens were held scoreless after the first 15 minutes, going down to Port by 64 points. North took control of the Woodville game in the second quarter and won comfortably, but Glenelg had an uneasy afternoon before running out winners by 16 points over Central at Adelaide.

## Powerful

Up to three-quarter time in the South-Norwood game South had 20 shots to seven and a Norwood recovery looked most unlikely.

South's attack to this stage was a two-man affair, Backman playing a brilliant first half and Skuse an amazing third quarter, in which he kicked all of South's 4-1 for the term.

However, Norwood's opportunities in attack were severely restricted by the

South defence, which once again showed how powerful it is.

The Redlegs' last-quarter bid was inspired by Bob Oatey and Bunton.

A dominant Sturt half-forward line quickly dispelled any hopes West had of opening up a two-point break between fourth and fifth position on the premiership ladder.

In a devastating first-quarter onslaught, Sturt won the game by kicking 7-8 to two points.

The Double-Blues are now in fourth position on percentage, but West, Torrens, Norwood, and Glenelg also have two wins.

Next week Sturt and Torrens meet at Unley, and Glenelg are at home to Norwood.

Half-way through the first quarter at Alberton, Torrens supporters must have had visions of a delightful weekend when the Eagles led Port by four goals.

## Scoreless

But from that stage on the Eagles were forced right out of the game, and were held scoreless for the rest of the match.

Port's win leaves them in third place behind North, also with four wins.

These two sides meet in the match of the day at Prospect next week.

North won comfortably today, although the weather conditions did not suit their best style.

At Prospect they have always been hard to beat, even by more accomplished Port line-ups than the present one.

Port's roving looks better, but the North pair today played well and Bill Thomas usually saves his best games for the games against his former team.

The game promises some thrilling individual clashes—Freeman and Hammond, Motley and Lindner, Philp and Hill.

Given fine weather this match should attract a big crowd to see North fully test their potential.

## QUICK LOOK AT LEAGUE GAMES

### AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	3-2	8-3	10-7	11-12	78
Cent.	5-2	5-5	7-6	9-8	62

**BEST PLAYERS.—GLENELG:** Rice, McGowan, Blackburn, Sutherland, Kernahan, Hunt. **CENTRAL:** Stutley, Window, Morey, Hill, Medhurst, Daly Eustice.

**SCORERS.—GLENELG:** McCarthy 3.2, Rice 3.0, Morony 2.0, McGowan 1.1, Kernahan 1.1, Mills 1.1, Anesbury 0.3, Hunt 0.1, Sinclair 0.1, rushed 0.2. **CENTRAL:** Lloyd 2.3, Burns 2.1, Hayes 1.1, Medhurst 1.1, Daly 1.0, Barron 1.0, Kemp 1.0, McGee 0.1, rushed 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.—GLENELG:** Pavne (broken elbow) by Morony, first term. **CENTRAL:** Secomb (cramp) by Dickson, last term.

UMPIRE.—B. A. Lees.

### AT NORWOOD

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	2-8	3-12	7-13	7-14	56
Nwd.	1-0	4-0	5-1	7-7	49

**BEST PLAYERS.—SOUTH:** Skuse, Kerley, Backman, Ploenges, Shaw, Durbridge, Jackson, Schmidt, Sims. **NORWOOD:** Wedding, Pickering, Bob Oatey, Bunton, Bowe, Harris, Woolford.

**SCORERS.—SOUTH:** Skuse 5.3, Backman 1.3, W. Foster 1.0, White 0.3, Roennfeldt 0.1, B. Foster 0.1, O'Brien 0.1, Roberts 0.1, rushed 0.1. **NORWOOD:** R. Oatey 2.2, Woolford 1.1, Brewer 1.1, Modra 1.0, P. Oatey 1.0, French 1.0, Kueebone 0.2, Martin 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS. SOUTH:** Nil. **NORWOOD:** Nil.

UMPIRE.—R. M. LeCornu.

### AT RICHMOND

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	7-8	9-10	12-13	13-18	96
West	0-2	3-4	4-5	8-6	54

**BEST PLAYERS.—STURT:** Tilbrook, Halbert, Whicker, Landridge, Adcock, M. S. Jones. **WEST:** Hooper, Campbell, Burkett, Benton, Thompson, Jay.

**SCORERS.—STURT:** M. E. Jones 4.2, Halbert 2.7, Langridge 2.3, Dunn 1.3, Whicker 1.1, Tilbrook 1.0, M. S. Jones 1.1, Clarkson 1.0, rushed 0.1. **WEST:** Burkett 3.1, C. Thompson, 2.0, Bitmead 1.0, Sara 1.0, Thomas 1.0, Hooper 0.2, Benton 0.2, DeBrouche 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.—STURT:** Langridge (thigh) by Miels last term, Whicker (thigh) by Clarke, last term. **WEST:** Bitmead (thigh) by G. Thompson, second term.

UMPIRE.—M. Posa.

### AT WOODVILLE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	1-5	8-9	9-14	12-16	88
Wdv.	3-4	3-4	4-6	8-8	56

**BEST PLAYERS.—NORTH:** Dixon, Robinson, Thomas, Pascoe, Hammond, Power, Lindner, Lehmann. **WOODVILLE:** Simonsen, Webb, Braidwood, Hammond, Clasohm, Allen, Williams.

**SCORERS.—NORTH:** Lehmann 4.5, Thomas 3.3, Paull 1.2, Hill 1.0, Lindner 1.0, Robinson 1.0, Phillips 1.0, Wilkinson 0.3, rushed 0.3. **WOODVILLE:** Christie 2.1, Kelly 2.1, Hoffman 2.0, Braidwood 1.2, Clarkson 1.0, Clasohm 0.1, Dick 0.1, Everingham 1.0, Perry 0.1.

**REPLACEMENTS.—NORTH:** Ryers (knee), by Ker, second term. **WOODVILLE:** Clasohm (sprained calf) by Everingham last term.

UMPIRE.—K. G. Cunningham.

### AT ALBERTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	0-1	7-3	11-4	13-11	89
Torr.	4-1	4-1	4-1	4-1	25

**BEST PLAYERS.—PORT:** Obst, Motley, Freeman, Matters, Cahill, Beaufoy, Errey, Traynor. **TORRENS:** Bills, Rawson, Jackson, Payze, Dixon.

**SCORERS.—PORT:** Freeman 4.1, Obst 3.1, G. Gill 2.1, Cahill 1.1, Traynor 1.0, Errey 1.0, Matters 1.0, Philp 0.3, McKay 0.1, Bray 0.1, Nyland 0.1, rushed 0.1. **TORRENS:** Young 2.1, Lawson 1.0, Dillon 1.0.

**REPLACEMENTS.—PORT:** Matters, by Holmes three-quarter time. **TORRENS:** Wildy by Graham, last term, Gilbert by Sparrow, last term.

UMPIRE.—M. O'Connell.

## PREMIERSHIP LIST

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
South	5	—	452	311	10	59.24
North	4	1	461	332	8	58.13
Port	4	1	411	336	8	55.02
Sturt	2	3	447	377	4	54.25
West	2	3	412	394	4	51.12
Torrens	2	3	354	390	4	47.58
Norwood	2	3	336	389	4	46.34
Glenelg	2	3	395	502	4	41.03
Woodville	1	4	366	463	2	44.15
Central	1	4	343	483	2	41.52

## TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Freeman (Port)	4.1	5	17.15
Skuse (South)	5.3	5	16.16
Halbert (Sturt)	2.7	5	15.18
White (South)	0.3	5	13.11
Lawson (Torrens)	1.0	4	13.5
Bertelsmeier (West)	—	5	12.7
Brewer (Norwood)	1.1	5	11.10
Benton (West)	0.2	5	11.10

# BAYS TOOK GRIP IN SECOND TERM

By DEAN STRINGER

Glenelg, appearing a better side, struggled for three quarters to defeat a determined Central Districts in a patchy game at Adelaide Oval.

Central more than matched Glenelg in all but the second quarter.

The Tigers obtained a winning break in this term when they kicked 5-1 to three points by the Bulldogs.

A very small crowd saw the teams take the ground in cold wintry conditions. The ground, however, was in perfect condition, but a gusty wind favored the southern end.

Eustice won the toss and elected to kick with the breeze.

Both teams were unchanged and the umpire was B. A. Lees.

Central swung straight into attack and had the first goal on the board within 60 seconds.

They continued to do most of the attacking but were unable to break through the Glenelg defence.

Strong ruck work by Kemp and the clever roving of Medhurst caused the Bay some early concern, while Eustice had opened brilliantly on his wing.

During the term several Central defenders man-handled their opponents

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and Glenelg forwards, capitalising on this, replied with quick goals from Mills and Rice.

Central, however, settled down late in the quarter to kick four more goals, and it was only Rice's second goal that kept the Tigers in touch.

Edmonds, promoted from the Seconds, was well on top of Sinclair at centre half-back, and with flankers Stutley and Bentley gave the Glenelg forwards a torrid time during the first term.

The second term was all Glenelg, as they constantly attacked.

Unfortunately they did not get full value from their drives, as several were spoilt, by bad hand-passes or miskicks.

During this term Kernahan, Blackburn, and Rice carried all before them, especially when Kemp and Medhurst were off the ball.

McCarthy, who had been well held by Hill in the

first quarter, broke loose and earned two quick goals for the Tigers.

All but Stutley of the hitherto close-checking Central half-back line wilted under pressure as Rice and McGowan created loose men.

Late in the quarter the Bulldogs regained their poise but could only muster three points from five shots.

During the second term Window really got on top of the Richens at centre, but the misty rain which was now falling cut down the penetration he usually obtains with his kicks.

Daly and Hayes also came into the game strongly at half-forward just before half-time. Hayes, although he gained possession many times, did little with the ball.

Glenelg gave the impression that they were going to repeat their second term as they swung straight into attack at the start of the third term.

However, the greasy ball proved to be a handicap to both sides and the game became congested and very ragged.

Central, holding the edge across centre and with Kemp going great guns in the ruck, more than kept Glenelg trying.

During the term, Rice, who had been Glenelg's main driving force in the first half, was eclipsed by a brilliant display by his co-rover McGowan, and only strong defence by Hill and Ayliffe kept the Tigers at bay.

Medhurst, who had roved well early for the Bulldogs, began to fade out.

This allowed the Glenelg rovers to pick up kicks frequently.

Glenelg opened the last quarter with several determined drives, but the wet ball caused many players to fumble, and the attacks were quickly broken up.

Central rebounded from two of these attacks, but they could only register two points.

Central swung Daly to full-forward in an effort to get goals, but the move was successful.

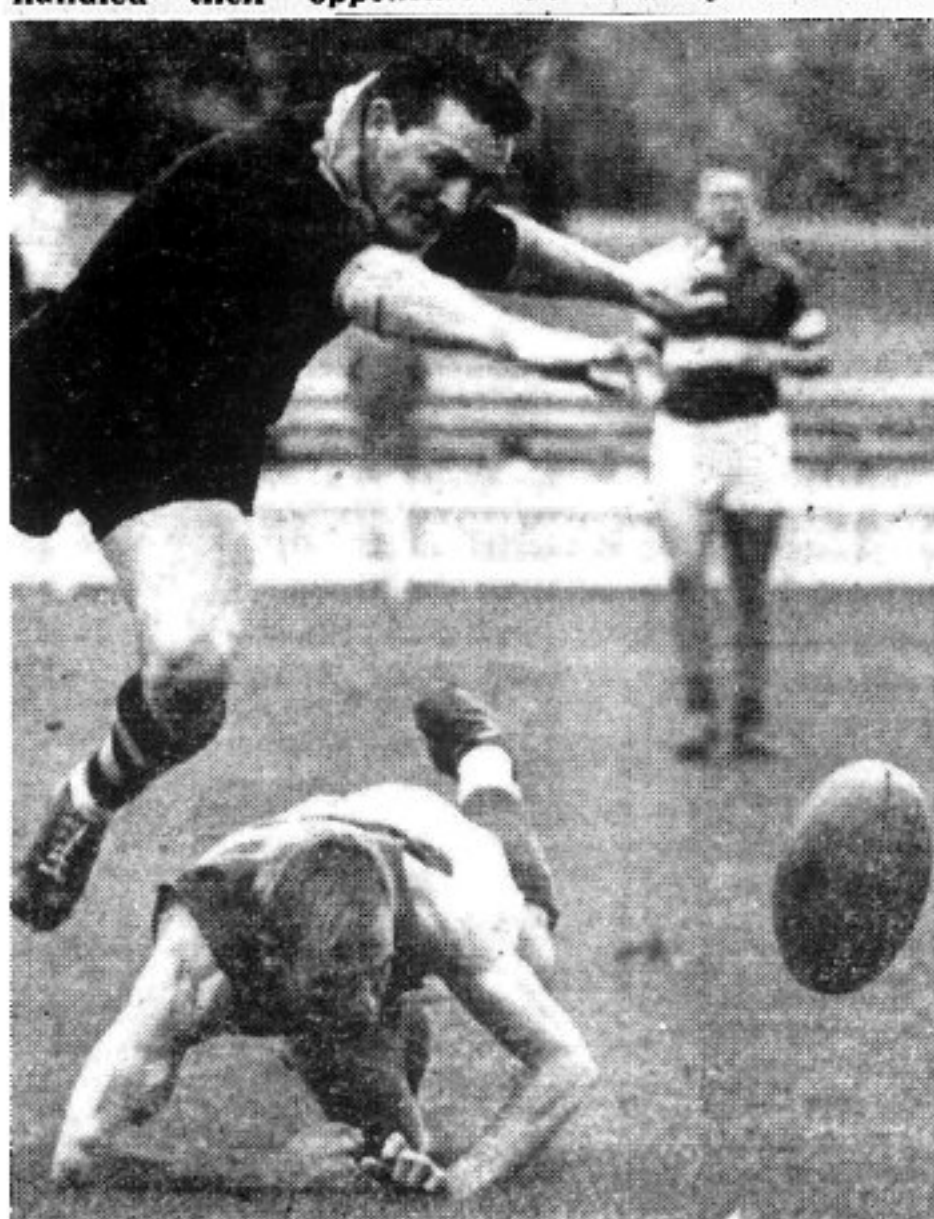
In selecting best players for Glenelg I find it difficult to split three players.

Blackburn, in ruck, played four quarters of sound football, while Rice and McGowan roved brilliantly.

Rice did most of his good work in the first half, while McGowan was most noticeable in the last half. Kernahan rucked well, while Sutherland and Hunt played strongly in defence.

For Central I name Stutley as their best for four quarters of sound defence.

He battled hard all day and was rarely beaten.



KEN EUSTICE, Central's captain-coach, looks in danger of being pounced on by Glenelg wingman Merv Peek as he dives for the ball during the game at Adelaide Oval today.

## HIGHEST, LOWEST

LEAGUE: Sturt 13-18 (96); Torrens 4-1 (25).

SECONDS: Sturt 14-12 (96); Woodville 4-15 (39).

## ATTENDANCES

Norwood	9,683
Alberton	8,774
Richmond	6,561
Adelaide	4,729
Woodville	4,179

TOTAL 33,926

## NEXT WEEK

South v. Centrals (Adelaide).  
Glenelg v. Norwood (Glenelg).  
North v. Port (Prospect).  
Sturt v. Torrens (Unley).  
Woodville v. West (Woodville).