

Challenge by Port for second place

By SAM GALLAGHER

Far too good for Glenelg after an even first quarter at the Bay, Port today consolidated their position in the top four, moving into third place, a game clear of Norwood.

The Magpies' win puts them in a position to challenge North's hold on second place and the double chance in the major round.

If Port can beat North at Prospect next Saturday, the holder of second place to Sturt could well be decided in the last minor round series when North and Sturt meet at Prospect and South meet Port at Adelaide.

Sturt overwhelmed Norwood at Unley but North after running to a comfortable lead in the first quarter had to go flat out to stave off defeat by West at Prospect.

As they did against Sturt, West again showed their ability to extend the top teams to the limit. It is a matter for conjecture what their present position would be if Bob Day had been available.

A significant feature of this game in view of Bob Oatey's injury was the fine roving display by West's John Pannenburg.

In this form he could be Oatey's replacement for the game against WA on July 22.

Dangers

West's near miss against North and South's commanding win over Centrals marked both as big dangers to Glenelg and Norwood in the struggle for fourth place.

Glenelg and Norwood clash at Norwood next Saturday in another game which will have a vital bearing on the make-up of the final four.

Port's convincing win without Cahill and Trevor Obst among others clearly puts them above the fight for fourth place.

A loss against North next week could push them back temporarily but the Magpies meet Sturt when the Blues strength will be heavily depleted by State representation and then they have a comparatively easy run home.

Today the Bays had no answer to Freeman's brilliance at the goal-front while the Port rovers also won.

Norwood were swamped by Sturt's power. Greenslade kicked eight goals to highlight a Redleg weakness in defence while the Blues' power away from the ruck was again evident.

Rick Schoff's good form at centre half-back against another State team aspirant in Graham Molloy showed that the Sturt player is running into top form.

Game clear

The Redlegs are one game clear of Glenelg in fourth place but the Bays' superior percentage would take them into the four if they win next Saturday.

Both sides have hard games coming up and the importance of this clash should draw a big crowd.

At Thebarton, Woodville broke through for their first win of the season over the unsettled Eagles.

The ascendancy in ruck of McKellar and Christie's dashing roving gave Woodville the edge and they maintained a narrow lead from half-time to the final siren.

Central's performance against South at Adelaide was something of a let-down after their fine win over West at Richmond. Today, they had no answer to the power generated by Darley and Roberts in ruck.

AT A GLANCE

AT GLENELG

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3-5	7-12	12-12	15-20	110
Glen.	3-5	5-8	5-13	7-16	58

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: Elleway, Haslam, Freeman, Leal, Potter, Spencer, Moore, Beaufoy. **GLENELG:** Rosewarne D. Long, Blackburn, Moss, Voigt, Marker, Richens.

SCORERS—PORT: Freeman 8.3, Broadbridge 2.2, Haslam 2.1, Potter 1.2, Leal 1.2, D. Gill 1.1, Nyland 0.3, Beaufoy 0.3, Pilgrim 0.1, Errey 0.1, rushed 0.1. **GLENELG:** Anesbury 2.6, Marker 2.2, D. Long 1.3, B. Long 1.0, Blackburn 1.0, K. Rowe 0.2, Richens 0.1, Moss 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Nil. **GLENELG:** McLeod taken off third term, replaced by R. Rowe. **UMPIRE—M. O'Connell.**

AT PROSPECT

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	7-3	8-6	9-9	12-9	81
West	2-1	6-4	9-7	11-12	78

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: Lindner, Robran, Sutter, Coppins, Lehmann, Jaworskyj, Geisler. **WEST:** Bray, Pannenburg, Bertelsmeier, Hughes, DeBroughe, Hooper, Burkett.

SCORERS—NORTH: Sachse 3.1, Von Bertouch 3.1, Lehmann 2.2, Phillips 2.1, Geisler 1.2, Anderson 1.0, Robran 0.1, Wilkey 0.1. **WEST:** Pannenburg 6.0, Burkett 2.2, Haupt 2.1, Hooper 1.0, Fraser 0.3, Bertelsmeier 0.2, Sims 0.2, Bray 0.1, Roach 0.1. **REPLACEMENTS—NORTH:** Stringer by Speck last quarter. **UMPIRE—M. Ducker.**

AT UNLEY

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	5-4	13-10	18-13	24-19	163
Nwd.	2-3	4-5	6-8	8-12	60

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Murphy, Miels, Greenslade, Clarkson, Chessell, Schoff, Hicks, Rigney. **NORWOOD:** Inglis, Nygaard, Kneebone, Modra, Wedding, Molloy.

SCORERS—STURT: Greenslade 8.3, Rigney 4.2, Shearman 3.4, Miels 3.1, Tilbrook 2.0, Weir 2.0, Martin 1.2, Clarkson 1.1, Bagshaw 0.2, Chessell 0.1, Brooks 0.1, Clarke 0.1, rushed 0.1. **NORWOOD:** Kneebone 2.1, Taylor 1.2, Molloy 1.3, Hutchinson 1.1, Page 1.0, Wedding 1.0, Nygaard 1.0, Taylor 0.2, Anderson 0.2, Gregerson 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—NORWOOD: Butchart (concussion) replaced by Pickering at half-time. Page (cramp) replaced by Smith in last quarter. **STURT:** Tilbrook (ankle) replaced by Brooks in the third quarter. **UMPIRE—K. Cunningham.**

AT THEBARTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Wdv.	1-4	5-6	7-11	10-14	74
Torr.	1-5	2-10	5-12	8-13	61

BEST PLAYERS—WOODVILLE: Christie, McKellar, Obst, Barbary, Riley, Hoffman, Peterson. **TORRENS:** Head, Bills, Virgo, Kruse, Gibson, Graham.

SCORERS—WOODVILLE: Barbary 3-2, Christie 3-2, Huppertz 1-2, Hoffman 1-1, Riley 1-0, Wilson 1-0, McKellar 0-3, Obst 0-2, Allen 0-1. **WEST TORRENS:** Tucker 5-2, Caldwell 1-5, Shepherd 1-0, Phillipou 1-0, Tye 0-2, Vick 0-1, Croft 0-1, Pill 0-1, rushed 0-1.

REPLACEMENTS—WOODVILLE: Kneebone (cramp) replaced by Clasohm late in the last term. **WEST TORRENS:** Tye (fractured cheekbone) replaced by Croft in second term, Egan replaced by Jackson in last term. **UMPIRE—M. Posa.**

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	5-3	10-6	14-13	17-15	117
Cent.	1-0	2-4	2-10	5-13	43

BEST PLAYERS—SOUTH: Darley, Roberts, Rivers, Howe, Ploenges, Backman, Ross, Threadgold, Schmidt. **CENTRALS:** Eustice, Stutley, Wickham, Phillips, Shortill, Hage.

SCORERS—SOUTH: Howlett 3-2, Darley 3-1, Roberts 3-0, Rivers 3-0, Skuse 2-1, W. Foster 1-5, Threadgold 1-1, Shaw 1-0, Backman 0-2, Ploenges 0-1, Ross 0-1, Roennfeldt 0-1. **CENTRALS:** Hage 1-4, Webber 1-2, Foley 1-2, Kleinig 1-1, Grlusich 1-1, Eustice 0-1, Daly 0-1, Bentley 0-1.

REPLACEMENTS—SOUTH: Darcy (calf) replaced by Sims during third term. **CENTRALS:** Dixon replaced by Kemp at half-time. McCartney replaced by Kennedy at three-quarter time. **UMPIRE—P. Craig.**

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Sachse (North)	3-1	12	50-27
Freeman (Port)	8-3	12	48-43
Greenslade (Sturt)	8-3	11	39-19
Mulvihill (Tor.)	—	11	38-24
Sims (West)	0-2	12	36-48
Button (Glenelg)	—	11	35-27
Shearman (Sturt)	3-4	12	33-37
Grlusich (C'trals)	1-1	12	30-22
Oatey (Norwood)	—	11	30-11

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Football

LIFT-OUT

WEAKENED MAGPIES CRUSH BAYS Port too fierce

By BILL HENDERSON

The Magpies, minus a wing, without a tail, and with only one leg, easily beat the Bays at Glenelg Oval today.

Port set the trend of play all day by playing tight, determined football.

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Glenelg did not have an answer to Port's fierceness. The Bays could not get into the open at all to dictate terms.

Port, written off by many because star players were missing showed they were well in the fight for the finals.

The game began well for the Bays. Kerley won the toss and went with an assisting wind which looked like changing.

The wind did not change. It fell away and did not affect play after half-time.

But the Bays did not make full use of the wind in the first term.

Elleway was a big stumbling block to Glenelg. Potter cleverly used defensive play to keep the ball on the eastern boundary.

Confident

The first term ended with both Port and Glenelg level at 3-5.

Port got cracking in the second quarter and had Glenelg struggling.

Voigt, at half-forward, gave Glenelg some drive, but his opportunities were limited.

Moss, in an effort to get into the game, came past centre for kicks.

This made it easy for Port to rebound from defence into attack. Freeman finished off the work well. Port took in command.

Glenelg tried very hard in the third term. For 20 minutes they kept the ball in their forward area.

Port could not get the ball past centre. But the damage they caused to Glenelg was irreparable.

Glenelg in that period did not get one goal and finished the term goal-less.

Port showed their supremacy by taking over the play. They kicked five goals in the rest of

the time to finish the quarter with the game in their grasp.

The last term was actually Port's worst. They relaxed slightly. Their shooting for goal and method of attack was forgotten.

Port sent the ball in high for Freeman to mark. The rest stayed down to snare the rebounds. Too many became "goal-happy."

The Bays looked a "sad" side and perhaps had only one winner—Rosewarne at centre.

Port again played as a team.

Port also had two major winning positions which the Bays failed to counter.

Freeman at full forward fought hard. He marked well to finish the game with the good figures of 8-3.

Elleway at full back was the man Glenelg found the hardest to beat.

Elleway carried on from last week with his strong marking.

Ross Haslam, either roving or at half-forward, played a great game. His delivery of the ball to Freeman was first class.

Spencer in ruck took the game right up to Doug Long and Kerley. Spencer proved his worth many times.

Moore was a good replacement in the back pocket. Potter proved the best of the rovers all day.

Moss tried hard all day. He finished well, but gained most of his kicks on the wrong side of centre. He appeared like a centre half-back rather than a centre half-forward.

Voigt showed out at half-forward. D. Long fought hard in ruck.

Best of the others were Martin, Blackburn and Richens.

ATTENDANCES

Unley	13,525
Glenelg	12,852
Prospect	6,685
Adelaide	5,533
Thebarton	3,800
Total	42,395

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	W	L	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Sturt	11	1	1469	909	22	61.77
North	10	2	1298	981	20	56.95
Port	8	4	1089	886	16	55.14
Norwood	7	5	1234	1155	14	51.65
Glenelg	6	6	1206	1027	12	54.01
South	5	7	1156	1162	10	49.87
West	5	7	1128	1145	10	49.63
Torrens	5	7	1045	1278	10	44.98
Centrals	2	10	817	1391	4	37.00
Woodville	1	11	996	1504	2	39.84

NEXT WEEK

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