

AT A GLANCE

AT PROSPECT

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	1-2	3-10	6-13	8-18	66
South	0-5	3-9	4-10	4-15	39

SCORERS—NORTH: Von Bertouch 2.3, Anderson 2.1, Lehmann 2.0, Sachse 1.6, Robinson 1.0, Myers 0.2, Anstey 0.2, Linder 0.1, Hammond 0.1, rushed 0.2. SOUTH: Jones 2.0, White 1.1, Roennfeldt 1.0, Skuse 0.5, Ball 0.3, Darley 0.1, Coombe 0.1, Thredgold 0.1, Norman 0.1, rushed 0.2.

BEST PLAYERS—NORTH: Robinson, Coppins, Von Bertouch, Robran, Paul, Lehmann. SOUTH: Coombe, Schmidt, Hendrie, Darley, Ball, Ryan, Cock, Skuse.

REPLACEMENTS—NORTH: Stringer (cramp) by Kohne, last term. UMPIRE—D. Turbill.

AT UNLEY

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	6-3	14-6	20-8	31-11	197
W'ville	1-3	4-4	13-11	14-15	99

SCORERS—STURT: Martin 8.1, Clarkson 8.0, Miels 3.3, Rigney 3.2, Endersbee 3.2, Shearman 2.0, Chessell 2.0, Tilbrook 1.2, Schoff 1.1, Hicks 1.0. WOODVILLE: Ruth 5.4, MacVicar 5.3, Huppertz 2.1, Cummins 2.1, Boscence 0.3, Allen 0.2, Teasdale 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—STURT: Endersbee, Clarkson, Martin, Shearman, Adcock, Hicks, Nelson, Miels. WOODVILLE: McKellar, Ruth, MacVicar, Teasdale, Syvertsen, Huppertz, Boscence.

REPLACEMENTS—STURT: Jarrett (bruised shin) by Burgan, quarter-time. WOODVILLE: Tee by Reeves, last term. Lamb by Roachie, last term.

UMPIRE—M. Ducker.

AT RICHMOND

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	5-5	9-7	12-9	14-9	93
C'trals	0-4	3-8	7-10	10-12	72

SCORERS—WEST: Jonas 5.2, Haupt 4.0, Day 2.3, Pannenburg 1.1, Bertelsmeier 1.0, Roach 1.0, Fraser 0.1, rushed 0.2. CENTRALS: Vidovich 2.3, Skinner 2.2, Muir 2.1, Middleton 2.0, Short 1.0, Daly 1.0, Mulholland 0.2, Morey 0.1, Davs 0.1, rushed 0.2.

BEST PLAYERS—WEST: Hughes, Pannenburg, Fraser, Shueard, Day, Kuchell, Burkett, Haupt. CENTRALS: O'Connor, Shortill, Middleton, Mulholland, Johns, Skinner, Bentley.

REPLACEMENTS—WEST: Bertelsmeier and Day by Jamieson and Higgins, last term. CENTRALS: Kennedy by Dickson, third term. Stanton by Jackson, last term.

UMPIRE—R. Hall.

AT ALBERTON

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-2	7-5	9-6	12-10	82
Torrens	3-3	4-3	9-8	10-9	69

SCORERS—PORT: Leal 3.0, Yeo 3.0, Gerlach 1.2, T. Obst 1.1, Salmon 1.1, Pritchard 1.0, Light 1.0, Haslam 1.0, Potter 0.2, Cahill 0.2, rushed 0.2. TORRENS: Birt 3.0, Tye 2.2, Head 1.4, Pill 1.1, F. Bills 1.0, Barnes 1.1, Phillipou 1.0, Forsyth 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—PORT: T. Obst, Potter, Leal, Salmon, Yeo, Haslam, Spencer, Elway, Nyland. TORRENS: Head, Birt, Phillipou, Braidwood, F. Bills, Gibson, Forsyth, Pill, Tye.

REPLACEMENTS—PORT: Elix (twisted knee) by Black, last term. P. Obst (cramp) by McKay, last term. TORRENS: Graham (ankle) by Lipp, third term. Barnes (head injury) by Murphy, last term.

UMPIRE—M. O'Connell.

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glen.	3-3	6-11	15-15	19-20	134
Nwd.	4-3	9-4	12-6	14-7	91

SCORERS—GLENELG: D. Phillis 7.2, R. Rowe 4.0, Kerley 3.0, D. Long 1.0, Richens 1.1, Pattinson 1.1, Wortley 1.0, Eustice 1.0, Marker 0.4, Moss 0.4, Rosewarne 0.1, Volet 0.1, rushed 0.6. NORWOOD: Wedding 4.2, Nygaard 2.1, Woolford 2.0, Harris 2.1, Shillabeer 2.0, P. Oatey 1.1, Gregerson 1.0, Molloy 0.1, rushed 0.1.

BEST PLAYERS—GLENELG: Eustice, Cornes, D. Phillis, Kerley, R. Rowe, Knill, Marker. NORWOOD: Wedding, Harris, Molloy, Kingston, Nettlefold, Nygaard, Elliott.

REPLACEMENTS—GLENELG: Colby by Linke, last term. Wortley by Pattinson, last term. NORWOOD: Kingston (bruised ribs) by Menz, third term. Hambour (arm) by Packer, last term.

UMPIRE—R. Scholefield.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.	Prem.
Sturt	18	2	—	2072	1401	36	59.66
Port	15	5	—	1411	1013	30	58.21
North	14	6	—	1574	1375	28	53.37
West	12	8	—	1484	1371	21	51.98
Glenelg	11	9	—	1461	1396	22	51.19
South	9	10	1	1538	1621	19	48.69
Torrens	9	11	—	1436	1374	18	51.10
Centrals	4	16	—	1410	1846	8	33.30
Woodville	4	16	—	1202	1824	8	39.72
Norwood	3	16	1	1515	1885	7	44.56

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Vidovich (Centrals)	2.3	17	62.20
Sachse (North)	1.6	19	47.35
Ebert (Port)	—	17	39.21
Greenslade (Sturt)	—	16	32.21
Jones (South)	2.0	15	32.20
Chessell (Sturt)	2.0	20	31.31
Backman (South)	—	19	31.31
Halbert (Sturt)	—	14	31.28
D. K. Phillis (Glenelg)	7.2	17	30.31
R. Oatey (Norwood)	—	19	30.28

STURT BEST OF FOUR FINALISTS

By SAM GALLAGHER

Results in today's last minor round games produced no surprises and the 1968 premiership will be fought out by Sturt, Port, North, and West.

Of the four finalists, Sturt were the most impressive, kicking a blazing 31-11 to beat Woodville by 98 points.

At Alberton Port again finished strongly to defeat Torrens by 13 points after the Eagles had led by 2 points at the last change.

A stronger second half by North took them to a comfortable win over South at Prospect but from a final point of view North were not impressive.

The other first semi-finalist, West, established an early supremacy over Centrals at Richmond but the Bulldogs played a determined second half to worry the Red and Blacks until late in the game.

At Adelaide, a commanding third quarter by Glenelg gave them control after Norwood's greater accuracy had given them an 11-point lead at half-time.

At Unley the emphasis was heavily on attacking football.

Woodville lost by 98 points but had a total of 29 scoring shots for a tally of 99 points, greater than the winning scores in three of the other four games.

Significant points for the Blues with the big clash against Port a fortnight away were Shearman's return to form at the pivot and Martin's eight goals at full forward.

The Blues have Halbert to come back and present indications are that Halbert, Schoff and Tilbrook will be on the half-forward line in the second semi-final.

IMPORTANT

A fine game by Peter Phillipou on John Cahill was an important factor in the Eagles strong performance at Alberton.

Lindsay Head and John Birt, too, were in great form.

The Magpies' forward prospects looked a little brighter with Yeo and Haslam doing well at half-forward while Keith Spencer also showed signs of the form Port will expect of him on the firmer grounds.

North's inability over the past two games to maintain the fast run-on game that seemed to be gaining momentum at the right time must be disturbing.

Although they were patchy, West Adelaide in flashes today showed something of the typical West ability to move the ball quickly into attack.

West are full of the enthusiasm that goes with a late dash to the finals and North will need to be at their top to contain them.

In his final appearance for Norwood, Big Bill Wedding excelled himself against Glenelg by rucking strongly throughout and kicking four goals.

However, his great game only delayed Glenelg's taking control.

The Tigers too late showed their real form in running to a 43-point win.

Unfortunately for them, West did not oblige by going down to Centrals and the Bays finish in fifth place after looking a possibility for second ranking six weeks ago.

ROOSTERS, SAY MAIL EXPERTS

All five Sunday Mail football writers pick North to beat West in next Saturday's first semi-final.

Here are their comments.—

• SAM GALLAGHER

West's speed will worry North but I expect the Red and Whites to do well enough in ruck and across centre to win.

West rely heavily on Russian in ruck and against him North's weight of numbers will tell.

Fraser is playing well at centre for the Red and Blacks but he strikes a difficult player to check in Robran.

West, however, have an alternative here in Day. To counter North's possible ascendancy in ruck, West, with Hooper to return, should have a roving advantage.

If Sims at centre half-forward hits top form, North could be in bother but they look a more even team with a greater attacking potential.

• STAN WICKHAM

West need a firm turf to be a threat in the finals.

It appears that that will be the order next Saturday, but the same conditions will suit North better.

North didn't look impressive in beating South today and will have to find a lift in several players. The main lift needed is from Don Lindner at centre half-forward—hardly noticed today.

The North attack and their centre line look better than West and despite the West ruck threat I think the Roosters can get through to the preliminary final.

• BILL HENDERSON

For West to win Russian must take control of the rucks. This may not happen as Peter Anderson has gained a lot of form to give enough problems here.

Russian may have lost some form and West will rely on Verrier to lift his game.

Robran will be a force for North and quite a lot of responsibility will be placed on Simon Fraser.

North's experience will be the main difference in such a high tension game.

Therefore I must go for North, having players such as Don Lindner and Bob Hammond who could rise to the occasion.

• GERRY HARRISON

Given good conditions I expect North's overall pace and aerial ability to earn them a berth in the preliminary final by beating West in next week's clash.

North have more ability to capitalise on their attacks with Sachse able to rise to the occasion, whereas the under-rated Barr is capable of holding Jonas.

Admittedly the North defence will need to tighten, but the pressure they will have to withstand will be reduced by an expected ascendancy across centre.

On this line Robran should win and Stringer's form will be better with two matches under his belt after injury, plus his ability to lift his game.

• BILL SUTHERLAND

Neither West nor North were over-impressive in winning today, and provided no big guide to next Saturday's semi-final.

North's defence appears more capable of holding West's main goalkickers in Jonas and Haupt, while at the other end West's shorter defence could be troubled by the height of the North attack.

Sachse remains the big danger in attack, his 1-6 today is ominous for West. Don Lindner will be the other great threat.

West will welcome Hooper back to add further pace around the packs and their only hope is a fast play-on handball game to defeat the far bigger high-fliers of north.

North Adelaide should be too strong.

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	11,596
Alberton	11,179
Prospect	8,563
Unley	6,943
Richmond	5,618

43,899

'BIG BILL' HAD FEW HELPERS

By BILL HENDERSON

Glenelg's great third term, when they outscored Norwood 9-4 to 3-2, enabled them to win fairly comfortably at Adelaide Oval today.

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Big Bill Wedding played a grand last game for the Redlegs.

He was the only Norwood player to give four quarters of football.

Too many other Norwood players faded in the third term, when Glenelg applied the pressure.

Norwood opened the game as though they were going to make this a Wedding "memorial."

Many players in the first term excelled.

Elliott, at full back, held Fred Phillis, and Molloy was the key at centre half-forward in the Redlegs' attack.

Eustice opened very strongly at centre for the Bays and was a menace to Norwood to take the ball away freely from centre.

Nygaard, at half-forward, assisted to improve this point by moving downfield to move the ball to Molloy, and goals came early.

Glenelg came back through Kerley's influence when resting, and Fred Phillis posted two quick goals.

Pressure

Norwood still put the pressure on Glenelg in the second term, Wedding and Molloy being behind the moves.

When players left the field at half-time, Norwood looked like they were really going to be in it at the finish.

This was soon proved wrong in the early part of the third term, when Glenelg began to hit their straps.

Ron Rowe got two quick goals, and with Eustice unchecked at

centre and Cornes taking many field marks, Glenelg had more players prominent.

The notable exception came when Wedding marked and sent in a 55-yard dropkick goal from an acute angle.

Norwood fought fairly well in the last term, but could not overcome Glenelg's ascendancy.

The surprising feature of the game was that Norwood, after a very good first half, allowed Glenelg to slip away in the third term.

No attempt to curb the strongpoints was made during this term.

Norwood lost their driving force in Kingston, who after a quiet third term left the field with an injury.

Glenelg's best was Ken Eustice at centre, who was allowed to slip away freely.

Cornes put in an excellent game on the ball with his high marking.

Fred Phillis at full forward put in his best game for some time, kicking well.

Kerley was mainly responsible for holding Glenelg's defence together.

Norwood's best was "Big Bill."

Not only did he kick four goals, but rucked well.

Neville Harris and Molloy gave Norwood a lot of drive early.

Kingston was outstanding until he received a heavy blow late in the second term.

He held Glenelg out on many occasions.

Elliott in the first half kept Phillis out of the play with good body work.



About to be brought back to earth



Subiaco forward sets WA record

Robertson kicks 15: Takes tally to 157

PERTH, Today: Subiaco fans danced with joy when their full-forward Austin Robertson set new figures for goalkicking in WA today.

Robertson, who played a season with South Melbourne, kicked 15 goals against East Fremantle in the final qualifying game of the WANFL season today to take his season's tally to 157.

This beat the previous minor round record, established by South Fremantle's Bernie Naylor in 1953, by one goal.

Naylor kicked 11 more goals in the final round games to set a further season record of 167.

Robertson now has a chance to beat this record as his team Subiaco, finished fourth on the table and will play East Perth in next week's first semi-final.

At times today the game at Subiaco was almost farcical, with the entire Subiaco team concentrating solely on getting the ball to Robert-

son. But while Robertson was kicking goals his team were grinding underfoot East Fremantle, who have had a poor season.

Subiaco defeated East Fremantle 19-14 to 7-12. Subiaco's chances in the semi-final became rozier when East Perth were soundly beaten by South Fremantle, who finished just outside the

four. The top four positions were settled before today's rounds.

The two top teams, Perth and West Perth, showed their power against weak teams.

Perth, who are chasing their hat trick of premierships, disposed of Claremont by 82 points.

West steam-rollered Swan Districts by 74 points.

RECORD IS 188 GOALS

The Australian record for goals kicked in a season is Ron Todd with 188 goals for Williamstown in the Victorian Football Association.

The Victorian League record is held by Bob Pratt (South Melbourne) with 150 in 1934.

Ken Farmer (North Adelaide) holds the SA record with 134 goals in 1936.

The Australian aggregate goals record is held by Farmer with 1,418 goals in 224 games.

He kicked 100 goals in 11 successive seasons missing a century in only his first season (1929) and his last (1941).—RAY BARBER.

P. Hudson's VFL record

MELBOURNE, Sat.: Star Hawthorn full forward 22-year-old Peter Hudson kicked eight goals against Fitzroy today to become the second greatest goal-dexer in the history of the VFL.

Hudson with 117 goals before today's match, broke John Coleman's post war 120-goal record.

After bettering Coleman's record he bagged five more goals to surpass Gordon Coventry's 1929 record of 124 goals.

Bob Pratt still remains the greatest goalkicker in the VFL with 150 in 1934.

After fumbling and dropping chest marks Hudson booted his 118th goal from a tree and took his tally to 119 near the end of the first quarter.

Twenty seconds after the bounce for the second quarter, the crowd broke into tumultuous applause as Hudson scored on the run to equal Coleman's record.

Six minutes into the third quarter Hudson marked and converted, passing Coleman's record.

A few minutes into the final term Hudson took a fine finger tip mark behind the pack to beat Coventry's record.