



NORTH COULD MISS DOUBLE CHANCE

By Alan Shiell

North, still one of league football's greatest enigmas, leapt back to top position as a result of today's twentieth series.

BUT, although the Roosters are two points ahead of Sturt and Port, they could still miss out on the double chance.

In the last minor round series next Saturday, North will clash with Sturt at Prospect in a game that seems certain to decide which of the two sides will play in the second semi-final.

Port, the other second semi-final contenders, will play Glenelg at Alberton.

For Port to gain the double chance, they must beat Glenelg, and rely on North to beat Sturt.

OR, Port could still play in the second semi-final by beating Glenelg and Sturt beating North.

Port's percentage is far superior to North's, but much inferior to Sturt's.

Favorites

Port will miss out on the double chance if they lose to Glenelg, regardless of the outcome of the game at Prospect.

Sturt's great 56-point win over Port at Unley today confirmed the Blues as premiership favorites.

Sturt trailed by 4-4 at quarter-time, but in three magnificent quarters, outscored Port 19-13 to 6-7.

In those power-packed last three terms, Sturt booted 5-4, 7-2, and 7-7.

Port kicked 4-3 in the second quarter, but managed a paltry 2-4 in the second half.

Today's win was Sturt's first in three games against Port this season.

Mike Patterson's North wiped out memories of last week's 50-point loss to Port at Alberton by tossing Glenelg by 19 points at the Bay.

Woodville's 48-point loss to West at Richmond made certain that the Woodpeckers will "win" this season's wooden spoon.

AT GLENELG

After a surprising third-quarter lapse, North Adelaide produced a determined last term effort to win well over Glenelg.

North's first half superiority was worth more than the four-goal lead they held at half-time.

Two late second term goals by Tardif gave the Bays a fighting chance and they put themselves back in the game with a great third quarter.

Tardif, in ruck, and rover Voigt, were the inspiration behind Glenelg's recovery.

The switch of Cornes to centre half-forward was also significant as the Bays, to half-time, had been completely outplayed by the North half-backs.

Seventeen points down at the last change, North put Robran into ruck and immediately took the offensive.

They kicked 4-4 to take the lead before Glenelg added to their score.

Poor kicking

Late in the game, Glenelg still had chances up forward to pull the game out of the fire but lacked the ability to finish off their attacks.

On the day, North played the more purposeful football.

In the first half, particularly, Glenelg's kicking was badly directed and the North defence had little difficulty in breaking up attacks.

North, on the other hand, had two big winners head of centre.

Hearl, at full forward,



BY SAM GALLAGHER

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3-3	9-11	9-11	15-18	108
Glenelg	3-2	6-5	12-10	13-11	89

A BELATED NORTH RUN

and Rebbeck in a forward pocket, kicked 8-4 of North's first half score of 9-11.

North started with Patterson at half-forward and moving into the ruck with Rebbeck in the forward pocket.

Rebbeck proved too elusive for a good player in Brian Colbey, forcing Glenelg to switch Nicol from half-forward in the second term.

This move helped in Glenelg's third-quarter recovery as Nicol attacked strongly from half-back.

But Rebbeck was again a strong influence in North's last term resurgence.

Marker won centre — his strength and speed enabling him to pull away from the packs — but his delivery was not up to the standard of the rest of his game.

John Robinson, on a wing, finished in dashing style to win his position well after strong opposition from Rawson for three quarters.

Patterson did some effective work in ruck despite Wayne Phillis's determined opposition.

But for the future, the efforts of Glenelg's recruits Bob Tardif and Peter Carey were highly significant, as was the switch of Cornes to centre half-forward.

Although they were down at the last change, North soon dispelled any doubts about their ability to win.

They regained control with an impressive display of determination.



John Robinson

HICKS OUT FOR SEASON

By Alan Shiell

Sturt wingman Daryl Hicks will not play again this season.

Hicks is in hospital after fracturing his right forearm in today's game against Port at Unley.

It is the second successive year that the Sturt veteran will have missed playing in the finals.

He missed last year's major round because of a knee injury.

Hicks was replaced in the third quarter of today's match — his first full league game since the thirteenth round.

Sturt full forward Peter Yeo had stitches inserted in a cut mouth.

Woodville ruckman Fred Hansch also received a facial injury today.

He was replaced at half-time at Richmond Oval with a lacerated eyelid.

Woodville centreman Rod Allen did not resume after three-quarter time because of a groin injury.

And Woodville forward Mark Peters is doubtful for next week's game against Norwood at Norwood because of an ankle injury.

Norwood's crack half-forward flanker Roger Woodcock hurt an ankle in the third quarter of the game at Thebarton and was replaced.

Norwood centre half-back Peter Mulraney injured a shin, and wingman Mike Poulter bruised a thigh.



Darryl Hicks

AT A GLANCE

AT ADELAIDE

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Cent.	6-0	15-7	22-12	27-19	181
South	0-4	0-5	1-8	4-12	36

BEST PLAYERS—CENTRALS: Jones, Moore, Vivian, Nicks, Andrews, Casserley, Saywell. SOUTH: Palmer, Cock, Backman, Woodcock, Jones, Murphy, Hunt.

SCORERS—CENTRALS: Jones 11.2, Saywell 5.2, Wyley 3.4, Casserley 3.1, Haughan 1.4, Johns 1.1, Mobbs 1.1, Skinner 2.0, Mulholland 0.3, rushed 0.1. SOUTH: Jones 1.2, Woodcock 1.1, McCarthy 1.0, Cloonan 1.1, Reimann 0.2, Griffiths 0.1, Ronaldson 0.1, Quinn 0.1, Backman 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPLACEMENTS—SOUTH: Murphy by Quinn, last term. Palmer (leg) by Whelan, last term.

UMPIRE—M. Ducker.

AT RICHMOND

West	3-6	11-12	15-15	21-18	144
Wdv.	6-3	11-3	12-4	15-6	96

BEST PLAYERS—WEST: Hewitt, Burkett, Verrier, Fraser, Pope, Pilkington, Hughes, Bandy. WOODVILLE: Huppertz, Cox, Simonsen, Cummins, Ruth, Blight, Heaven, Peters.

SCORERS—WEST: Hewitt 7.1, Jonas 3.2, Burkett 2.1, Bandy 2.0, Hughes 1.4, Donaldson 1.2, Leonard 1.1, Verrier 1.1, Fraser 1.1, Pilkington 1.0, Loveday 1.0, Kennedy 0.2, Plew 0.1, rushed 0.2. WOODVILLE: Huppertz 5.2, Peters 3.0, Blight 1.1, Ruth 1.1, Girardi 1.1, MacVicar 1.0, Cummins 1.0, Syvertsen 1.0, Winstanley 1.0, Doszina 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—WEST: Jonas (bruised calf) by Hooper, final term. WOODVILLE: Hansch (lacerated eye) by Girardi, half-time; Allen (groin) by Sewer, three-quarter time.

UMPIRE—M. O'Connell.

AT GLENELG

North	3-3	9-11	9-11	15-18	108
Glen.	3-2	6-5	12-10	13-11	89

BEST PLAYERS.—NORTH: Robinson, Rebbeck, Jaworskyj, D. Burns, Paul, Robran, Patterson, Von Bertouch. GLENELG: Cornes, Tardif, Voigt, Marker, W. Phillis, Hinson, Rawson, Nicol.

SCORERS.—NORTH: Rebbeck 6-4, Hearl 4-4, Von Bertouch 2-0, Webb 1-3, Robran 1-1, Sporn 1-1, Francou 0-2, Patterson 0-1, rushed 0-2. GLENELG: Tardif 4-2, D. Phillis 2-3, Carey 2-1, Voigt 2-1, Hamilton 1-0, Sandland 1-0, Button 1-0, Pat- tinson 0-1, rushed 0-3.

REPLACEMENTS.—GLENELG: Caldwell (shoulder) by Button, half-time.

UMPIRE.—W. Noonan.

AT THEBARTON

Torr.	3-2	6-7	11-9	18-15	123
Nwd.	4-3	5-6	7-12	8-13	61

BEST PLAYERS.—TORRENS: Graham, Shallow, Miller, White, Kelly, F. Bills, Faletic, Pill, Bavey. NORWOOD: Menz, R. Oatey, Pettingill, Poulter, Kuchel, Porritt, Wright, Butchart, Packer.

SCORERS.—WEST TORRENS: Dabrowski 3.0, Miller 3.0, Shallow 2.6, Fielke 2.2, Pavlich 2.1, Bavey 2.0, Phillipou 1.2, F. Bills 1.0, McSpornan 1.0, White 1.0, Faletic 0.1, Pill 0.1, rushed 0.2. NORWOOD: Colgan 2.1, Woodcock 2.1, Gregerson 2.0, R. Oatey 1.1, Pettingill 1.0, Wynne 0.4, Packer 0.2, P. Oatey 0.1, rushed 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS.—WEST TORRENS: Pavlich (bruised thigh) by Gibson in last quarter. Cousins (cramp) by Willats in last quarter. NORWOOD: Woodcock (ankle) by Roach at three-quarter time.

UMPIRE.—B. Foster.

AT UNLEY

Sturt	2-6	7-10	14-12	21-19	145
Port	7-4	11-7	12-7	13-11	89

BEST PLAYERS.—STURT: Adcock, Casey, Chessell, Nunan, Shearman, Wild, Graham, Yeo, Davies. PORT: Cunningham, Sorrell, Woite, Beswick, Marrett, Spencer, Ede.

SCORERS.—STURT: Yeo 5-4, Shearman 3-4, Chessell 3-1, Wild 3-1, Rigney 3-0, Winter 1-3, Ottens 1-1, Friedrichs 1-1, Nunan 1-0, Graham 0-1, Bagshaw 0-1, rushed 0-2. PORT: Woite 3-2, Sorrell 2-3, D. Cahill 2-1, J. Cahill 2-0, Cunningham 1-4, Ebert 1-0, Marrett 1-0, Milde 1-0, Broadbridge 0-1.

REPLACEMENTS.—STURT: Hicks (fractured forearm) by Winter, third term. PORT: J. Cahill (bruised toe), by James, final term, Errey (cramp), by Gerlach, first term.

UMPIRE.—R. Scholefield.

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
D. K. Phillis (Glenelg)	2-3	20	94-61
Jones (Centrals)	11-2	20	86-38
R. Woodcock (Norwood)	2-1	20	58-32
Saywell (Centrals)	5-2	20	56-25
Greenslade (Sturt)	—	11	49-37
Hawlett (South)	—	16	49-33

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	5,236
Glenelg	9,700
Richmond	1,710
Thebarton	9,504
Unley	17,063

43,213
Season total 828,675
Comparative 1970 total 829,605

NEXT WEEK

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

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Pts. Agst.	Prem. Pts.	%
North	16	4	1989	1613	32	55.21
Sturt	15	5	2048	1314	30	60.91
Port	15	5	2113	1537	30	57.89
Centrals	11	9	2075	1858	22	52.75
Norwood	10	10	1952	1865	20	51.13
Glenelg	9	11	2075	1946	18	51.60
Torrens	7	13	1459	1713	14	45.99
West	6	14	1636	1940	12	45.74
South	6	14	1561	2002	12	43.81
Woodville	5	15	1489	2609	10	36.33