

League details

THEBARTON OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	5-5	10-8	15-14	19-20	134
Woodville	1-2	6-5	9-9	15-13	103

BEST — TORRENS: Collier, Dillon, Hanna, Lindsay, Enright. **WOODVILLE:** Harris, Haylock, Lynch, Fuller, Beecroft.

SCORERS—TORRENS: Collier 5.1, Flanagan 3.2, Dillon 3.1, Schjmmelbusch 2.2, Cunningham 2.2, Hanna 2.2, McKay 1.4, Pilmore 1.1, Pavlich 0.2, Payze 0.1, rushed 0.2. **WOODVILLE:** Beecroft 8.2, K. Harris 2.2, Wright 2.0, Fuller 1.3, Hearne 1.1, Wood 1.1, Koop 0.1, McDonald 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES—WOODVILLE: Parker (thigh), Sewer (knee). **UMPIRES—**Mark Mackie, Neville Thorp.

ELIZABETH OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	6-6	12-9	15-11	17-12	114
Central	4-1	11-3	16-7	17-10	112

BEST — GLENELG: S. Kernahan, McGuinness, Carey, Marshall, Salisbury, Symonds, Duthy. **CENTRAL:** Van Dommele, Bubner, Wilson, Connelly, Roe, Hannam.

SCORERS—GLENELG: S. Kernahan 6.1, McGuinness 3.2, Twelftree 3.0, Nichols 2.4, Gibbs 1.1, Symonds 1.0, MacFarlane 1.0, Talbot 0.1, rushed 0.3. **CENTRAL:** Wilson 7.1, Wright 3.2, Belchambers 2.2, Moulds 2.1, Connelly 1.1, Van Dommele 1.0, Norsworthy 1.0, Grant 0.1, Clohesy 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES—GLENELG: Farquhar (cruciate ligament in knee). **UMPIRES—**Ric Charlesworth, Graham Hilton.

NORWOOD OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	4-5	7-11	10-18	15-20	110
Sturt	2-3	3-5	7-8	13-10	88

BEST—NORWOOD: McIntosh, Aish, Thomas, Kelly, Payne, Hein, Fosdike, Jarvis. **STURT:** Paynter, Motley, Fry, Frost, Smith, Brown, Heinrich.

SCORERS—NORWOOD: Roberts 4.5, Kelly 3.2, Thomas 2.2, Hein 1.1, Fosdike 1.1, Hochuli 1.1, Payne 1.1, Ross 1.0, McIntosh 1.0, Aish 0.2, Dougall 0.1, rushed 0.4. **STURT:** Fry 5.1, Davies 2.3, Derrington 2.0, Smith 1.2, Zubrnich 1.1, Brown 1.1, Hollis 1.0, Barbary 0.1, Fielke 0.1.

INJURIES — NORWOOD: Fischer (slight concussion), Laughlin (driving muscle). **STURT:** Brown (eye). **UMPIRES—**Rick Kinnear, Ian Penhall.

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	7-2	9-6	14-9	19-14	128
West	7-2	11-5	13-12	15-17	107

BEST—NORTH: Robertson, Ellis, Campbell, Brealey, Redden, Dietrich, Tiller, Phillips. **WEST:** Fielke, Dreher, Luders, Grosser, Herbert, Kantilaftas, Bennett.

SCORERS—NORTH: Dietrich 6.0, Jarman 3.2, Brealey 3.1, Campbell 2.3, Mason 2.1, Grenfell 1.1, Parsons 1.0, Robertson 1.0, Tiller 0.1, Arnold 0.1, rushed 0.4. **WEST:** Luders 7.3, Bennett 2.1, Smith 1.3, Falting 1.2, Borchard 1.1, Herbert 1.0, Williams 1.0, Grosser 1.0, Morris 0.2, Rennie 0.2, Mickan 0.1, rushed 0.2.

UMPIRES—John Hylton, Mike Ball (WA).

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Yest	Total
G. Dietrich (North)	10	6-0	55-21
T. Evans (Port)	9	—	55-15
R. Davies (Sturt)	10	2-3	50-22
G. Nichols (Glenelg)	10	2-1	47-28
N. Roberts (Norwood)	10	4-5	44-22
B. Beecroft (Woodville)	7	8-2	39-16
W. Wilson (Central)	10	7-1	31-14
R. Luders (West)	7	7-3	30-16

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	F	A	Pts	%
*Port	8	1	1158	883	16	56.74
Central	8	2	1138	904	16	54.14
*South	2	2	1155	804	14	58.96
Glenelg	7	3	1213	1013	14	55.69
Sturt	5	5	1236	1191	10	50.86
Norwood	4	6	1118	1283	8	46.53
West	3	7	1054	1193	6	46.91
Torrens	3	7	991	1379	6	41.81
North	2	8	1120	1216	4	47.96
Woodville	3	8	1170	1482	4	44.12

*To play today

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY: SA v WA (Football Park).

CROWDS

Football Park .. 5047
Elizabeth .. 9328
Norwood .. 10,415
Thebarton .. 3317

Redlegs in push for FIVE

A desperate Norwood stormed into final five contention with a convincing win over Sturt at Norwood yesterday.

By Gordon Campbell

The Redlegs are only one game and percentage out of the five with the Blues struggling to hold down fifth spot.

In other highlights of round 10:

Glenelg's narrow win over Central District at Elizabeth means the Tigers are a serious threat to jump from fourth and steal a top three berth in the second half of the season.

And victories to North and Torrens have kept their slender final five chances alive.

Norwood coach Neil Balme was elated with his charges success but warned making the five was still a difficult assignment.

Difficult

"The win has kept us within striking distance of the five," Balme said.

Struggling Sturt has lost its past three games and is

quickly losing face.

Its confidence is sapped and it badly needs ruckman Frank Spiel who is likely to return from injury against a confident North at Football Park tomorrow week.

Norwood's dynamic duo Michael Aish and Garry McIntosh was again mainly responsible for the Redlegs ascendancy.

Superstar Stephen Kernahan steered the Tigers to victory against the Bulldogs which missed the brilliance of injured State rover John Platten.

Glenelg has a superior percentage to Central which is now only one game clear of it on the ladder.

But the quietly effective Tigers will clash at Adelaide Oval tomorrow week with South which is looming as a serious premiership threat.

The Bulldogs are still a premiership threat and their confidence is likely to be restored with wins over Torrens and Woodville in the next two games.

North's morale-boosting win over West lifted it from the premiership table cellar and coach Mike Nunan has not discounted a finals berth for North.

"Anything can happen," Nunan said.

West coach Neil Kerley is still confident: "We can still make it," he said.

The Eagles' convincing win over Woodville has lifted finals hopes for supporters as Glenn Elliott's men regain more key players like Kym Dillon from injury.

South will rush to the top of the premiership table with victory over Port at Adelaide Oval today.

PLATTEN POWER MISSED

Believe it, one player CAN make the difference between winning and losing a league football match.

By Ashley Porter

Glenelg 17-12 (114) d Central 17-10 (112)

self. He then took a clear mark and goaled.

He tapped-on to Tony McGuinness a minute later who also goaled, and within minutes, Kernahan marked and goaled again.

It was Platten's absence which many believed before the game would be the difference.

Without doubt, the Bulldogs would have loved his bite. But to dwell too much on that loss would merely be a slur on those who shared the bulk of his work.

Youngster David Belchambers went into the side as a second rover to Mark Norsworthy. Between them, they battled hard and won their fair share of the tough contests.

Central kicked 1-3 in the last term, and out-on-the full five times, and it would be easy to say bad kicking cost the match.

Nullifying that were seven brilliant goals from Wilbur Wilson who gave the impression he could swivel on a sixpence and dodge shotgun pellets.

While Kernahan was in outstanding touch, it was the contribution by a number of other players which got the Tigers on the prowl.

They included rover Tony McGuinness, ruckman Peter Carey, centreman David Marshall, back pocket Scott Salisbury and wingman Tony Symonds.

Chris Duthy again displayed his value when he was shifted to full-back and noticeably quelled the effect Michael Wright was having on the game.

Neale was far from impressed with the loss, and said it was a simple case of not being good enough.

Coach Graham Campbell jumped over obstacles to say, "We deserved to win and nothing should be taken away from our victory because we had more share of the play on a foreign ground and only good judges on football would say we had team character."

Obstacles

They are the facts.

A fantastic contribution.

But what singled him out in my mind went much further. It would have been understandable if the crowd did not notice.

It happened at the 10-minute mark of the third term. A mark was not paid to Glenelg's Ross Gibbs. Then a dubious decision went against Kernahan.

Instead of being irate, Kernahan controlled him-