

# FOOTBALL

## LEADER TOPPLED IN DAY OF DRAMA

### FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	9-2	16-4	22-6	25-10	160
Sturt	1-1	8-1	14-5	20-8	128

**BEST PLAYERS — SOUTH:** Naley, Davies, Troy, Bennett, Christie, Schneebichler, David Kappler. **STURT:** Paynter, Paech, Frost, Whittlesea, Motley, Spiel.

**SCORERS — SOUTH:** Davies 9-2, Schneebichler 5-1, Harris 5-1, Fairclough 3-1, Would 2-1, Campbell 1-2, Bennett 0-1, rushed 0-1. **STURT:** Willmott 5-0, Motley 5-0, Graham 2-1, Frost 2-1, Fry 2-1, Craig 1-0, Paynter 1-0, Wark 1-0, Whittlesea 1-0, Klomp 0-2, rushed 0-3.

**INJURIES — SOUTH:** Would (twisted ankle), Brooksby (two stitches below left eye).

**REPORTS — STURT:** Ian Willmott reported by boundary umpire during second term for allegedly elbowing Phil Brooksby.

**UMPIRES —** Darryl Schramm Neville Thorp.

### ELIZABETH OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Central	7-3	10-6	16-9	22-17	149
Port	2-2	10-4	17-6	18-8	116

**BEST — CENTRAL:** Platten, McGrath, Shields, Conne ly, Roe, Prior, Bubner, Thomas, Cousins. **PORT:** Curtis, Leslie, Bradley, Baker, Anderson, Gotch, Ginever, O'Brien.

**SCORERS — CENTRAL:** Fraser 4-3, Platten 3-3, O'Riley 3-1, Graham 2-0, Bubner 2-0, Trigg 1-3, Shields 1-1, Boehm 1-1, Connelly 1-0, Cousins 1-0, Dearaugo 1-0, Prior 1-0, Roe 1-0, rushed 0-5. **PORT:** Evans 5-1, Boyd 3-0, Curtis 2-1, Gotch 2-1, Leslie 2-0, Ginever 1-1, Ebert 1-0, Bradley 1-0, Johnston 1-0, O'Brien 0-1, Simpson 0-1, rushed 0-2.

**INJURIES — CENTRAL:** Nolan (hamstring), Dearaugo (ankle), Thomas (shoulder). **PORT:** Baker (corked thigh).

**UMPIRES —** Rick Kinnear, Mark Mackie.

### THEBARTON OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	3-2	5-10	10-17	15-18	108
Glenelg	1-8	6-13	9-15	14-23	107

**BEST PLAYERS — TORRENS:** Stretch, Hank, Roberts, Payze, Dillon, Lindsay, Sarau. **GLENELG:** Copping, McGuinness, S. Kernahan, West, D. Kernahan, Walsh.

**SCORERS — TORRENS:** Johnston 4-0, Roberts 2-4, Stretch 2-3, Hill 2-1, Dillon 2-0, Collier 1-1, Querzoli 1-0, Sarau 1-0, Hank 0-1, Smith 0-1; rushed 0-7. **GLENELG:** McGuinness 4-1, Seebohm 3-2, Copping 2-2, S. Kernahan 1-3, Carey 1-2, Maynard 1-1, Gibbs 1-1, A. Striker 1-0, Symonds 0-2, McDermott 0-1, West 0-1; rushed 0-7.

**UMPIRES —** Geoff Bowles, Steve Ardill.

### ADELAIDE OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Woodville	6-6	13-13	20-23	25-25	175
West	5-4	11-5	14-8	22-18	150

**BEST PLAYERS — WOODVILLE:** Harris, Toome, Libbis, Blight, Wood, Dettmann, Stephens, S. McDonald. **WEST:** Grosser, Fielke, D. Ferbert, Lamb.

**SCORERS — WOODVILLE:** Blight 8-3, Harris 6-4, Wood 1-3, Beecroft 3, Pym 1-2, Stephens 1-2, Dettmann 1-1, M. Fuller 1-0, S. McDonald 0-2, Toome 5-1; rushed 0-7. **WEST:** Grosser 5-1, Woodhall 4-1, Meuret 4-1, Williams 3-1, Fielke 2-3, Luders 2-0, D. Herbert 1-2, Miller 1-0, C. Herbert 0-4, Bennett 0-1, Borchard 0-1; rushed 0-3.

**INJURIES — WOODVILLE:** Jolly (knock to head) during first quarter; McLeod (calf) before game.

**REPORT — WEST:** Andrews (by field umpire Bob Schofield) for allegedly deliberately wasting time during the final quarter.

**UMPIRES —** Bob Schofield, Graham Hilton.

### PROSPECT OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	5-7	10-7	15-9	19-10	124
North	3-1	5-6	7-8	12-16	88

**BEST — NORWOOD:** Taylor, Kelly, Laughlin, Scanlon, Balme, Neagle, McIntosh, Pearce. **NORTH:** S. Riley, J. Riley, Redden, Robertson.

**SCORERS — NORWOOD:** Pearce 5-0; Kelly 4-2; Laughlin 3-0; Payne 2-4; Neagle 1-1; Scanlon 1-1; Roberts 1-0; McGrath 1-0; Hein 1-0; Gallagher 0-1; Helyar 0-1. **NORTH:** Parsons 2-2; Jarman 2-0; Redden 2-0; Tiller 2-0; Robertson 1-2; Clift 1-1; Hay 1-0; Klomp 1-0; Simmons 0-1; Bennett 0-1; Campbell 0-1; Hill 0-1; J. Riley 0-1; S. Riley 0-1; Hart 0-1; rushed 0-4.

**INJURY — NORWOOD:** Hall (broken jaw).

**UMPIRES —** Jim Field, Steve Semmler.

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

Player	Games	Yesterday	Total
Blight (Woodville)	11	8.3	71.47
Willmott (Sturt)	11	5.0	56.22
Roberts (Torrens)	12	2.4	50.22
Dietrich (North)	11	0.0	46.21
Copping (Glenelg)	12	2.2	45.13
Beecroft (Woodville)	12	3.0	44.11
Antrobus (North)	11	—	39.22
Davies (South)	9	9.2	39.17

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	%
North	11	—	1	1631	1203	22	57.55
Norwood	8	1	3	1396	1207	17	53.63
Torrens	7	—	5	1508	1423	14	51.45
Sturt	6	1	5	1435	1370	13	51.16
Glenelg	6	—	6	1517	1309	12	53.68
Central	6	—	6	1438	1469	12	49.47
West	4	—	8	1425	1541	8	48.01
Port	4	—	8	1347	1612	8	45.52
Woodville	4	—	8	1491	1755	8	45.43
South	3	—	9	1244	1512	6	45.14

### CROWDS

Football Park	7060
Adelaide Oval	2652
Elizabeth	8931
Thebarton	6626
Prospect	10,006

### NEXT WEEK

South v Torrens (Football Park), Glenelg v Sturt (Glenelg), Norwood v Port (Norwood), West v Central (Richmond), Woodville v North (Woodville).

The SANFL competition was shaken up yesterday with dramatic victories by the bottom two sides, and the first fall by mighty North Adelaide.

Round 12 saw:

- South Adelaide coach Rick Davies boot nine goals and steer a magnificent 32-point victory over Sturt — the club he served for 15 years.
- Woodville topple West Adelaide by 25 points, with coach Malcolm Blight kicking eight goals to increase his lead on the goalkicking list.
- Norwood end North Adelaide's unbeaten run, winning by 36 points and strengthening its grip on second spot.
- West Torrens win by one point against Glenelg with a last minute goal from Kym Dillon, sending the Eagles back into third spot, and jeopardising the Tigers' place in the five.
- Central District break away from Port Adelaide to win by 33 points and place it within percentage of the five.

### Paper

Norwood coach Neil Balme shuffled his side before the match and was surprised by the great victory.

"We played with far more desperation and confidence, and we knew we had to work harder after losing to Glenelg last week," he said.

The gloss was taken off the win when Norwood learned that ruckman John Hall had his jaw broken in two places when he attempted to shepherd.

He was struck in the face, but Balme's only official comment on the incident was: "It's disappointing when he

## Norwood grabs glory

By Ashley Porter

didn't even get a free kick."

North Coach Mike Nunan was full of praise of Norwood's game, claiming it was at the fall of the ball more often, and provided better options moving into attack.

"I felt we were not mentally alert, but it was not as if we were not adequately prepared," he said.

"Our goals this season were to qualify for the finals and be a good side in September and October, and he have not lost sight of them because of this loss.

"At no stage could I take anything away from Norwood."

A dejected West coach John Cahill questioned the dedication of his charges after their disappointing 25-point loss to Woodville.

"West might be a good team on paper, but we're simply not producing," he said. "These guys aren't playing up to the reputations they've got of themselves.

"Not enough West players hurt for the club. They're fumbling the ball because they're frightened."

Cahill, who accepted blame for the Bloods' poor showing this year, said in 12 years as League coach "this loss is the worst, second only to a losing grand final."

## Dead-eye Dillon

By Peter Prime

"I guess you always dream of things happening like that."

Speaking was West Torrens follower Kym Dillon, the hero of the Eagle's sensational one-point victory over Glenelg at Thebarton Oval yesterday.

Dillon kicked a magnificent "check-side" goal in the dying minute of the game to see his side consolidate its position in the final five.

Dillon was an exhausted by a jubilant man in the rooms after the game.

"After being awarded the free kick, I initially thought about passing the ball to a player in a better position," Dillon said.

"I saw Jeff Sarau but I thought the siren may sound.

"It really was a great feeling when it went through."

Torrens coach Glenn Elliott said he wasn't "full of confidence" when Dillon lined up.

"Let's just say I was hoping," Elliott quipped.



The Boys' Jim West pulls down a fine mark  
\*Pictures: Ray Titus, David Heie, Kevin Bull

## Never-say-die Eagles sneak home



**Jim Deane**

\*As told to Peter Prime

West Torrens, through sheer desperation and courage, proved it is still a big force in the SANFL competition by eclipsing Glenelg by one point in a sensational finish at Thebarton Oval yesterday.

goals, dropped marks and teamwork was virtually non-existent.

### Influence

At the long break, Glenelg held a nine-point advantage, but it was a different game after half-time.

Torrens suddenly erupted — it became more direct and had been obviously "revved up" by coach Elliott.

Glenelg also became more efficient and eliminated the foolish mistakes it was making in the early stages of the game.

One move that had a significant influence on the final result was made by Jeff Collier on to the dangerous Copping.

He nullified the match-winning influence that Copping appeared to have on the game.

And while at no stage did the Eagles' big man Jeff Sarau dominate in the ruck, his excellent physical condition stopped Peter Carey and Stephen Kernahan from exerting their usual influence on the game.

Defender John Cunningham's performance at centre-half back opposed to Stephen Kernahan also had a big bearing on Torrens becoming the ultimate winner.

Simply, he stopped the Glenelg start from dominating for three quarters.

On yesterday's performance Stretch — particularly when the game was tight in the last term — has established himself as one of the State's best footballers.

Half-back-flanker Tom

Hank gave Torrens his best game this season. After winning pressure balls, his kicking with either foot to team-mates further afield was a delight to watch.

John Roberts was always dangerous at centre-half-forward or on odd occasions interchanging at full forward with Peter Johnston.

It would appear Kym Dillon is back in form. He played well all day but his checkside goal to win the game delighted the Torrens supporters.

On his performance yesterday, young Justin Smith is a definite prospect for the future for the Eagles.

For Glenelg, Stephen Copping revelled in his transfer to the centre of the ground.

Although he was quietened in the third quarter, when moved to the forward pocket in the last quarter, he almost became a match-winner with his strong marking and determined ground play.

Rover Tony McGuinness didn't get as many kicks as a rover should, but every time he got near the ball, he was dynamite and always a thorn in the Torrens side.

Stephen Kernahan never reached his match-winning brilliance until the last term. But then he showed what a great player he is by nearly winning the game for the Tigers.

Another to watch is young James West.