Port scrapes in as Norwood crashes

SANFL

Football Park

CENTRAL 5.3 10.4 15.8 18.13 (121) Sturt 1.4 2.10 7.11 13.15 (93)

BEST — CENTRAL: Chaplin, Smith, Girdham, Ingerson, Mandemaker, Pyman. STURT: Judd, Robinson, Bastian, Richter, Paynter, Argus. GOALS — CENTRAL: Mandemaker 6.4, Chaplin 4.2, Ingerson 2.3, Jenkinson, Lynn 1.1, Girdham, Roe, Coffee, Smith 1.0, Barbaro 0.1, rushed 0.1. STURT: Argus 4.0, Paynter 2.1, Hannam 2.0, Bubner, Robinson 1.1, Judd, McWilliam, Schoell 1.0, Field, Lienert 0.3, Graham, Richter 0.1, rushed 0.4.

UMPIRES: Jeff Jeanes, Stephen Semmler.

Football Park

PORT 2.1 5.3 8.7 11.8 (74) North 4.3 5.4 8.5 11.7 (73)

BEST — PORT: Hutton, Abernethy, Smallridge, Northeast, Delaney, Fiacchi, Ginever. NORTH: Sims, Ryan, Barratt, Krieg, Nunan, Riley. GOALS — PORT: Abernethy 4.1, Fellows, Hutton 2.0, Grimm 1.1, Boyd, Borlase 1.0, Smallridge, S. Williams, Settre 0.1, rushed 0.3. NORTH: Bennett 4.0, Dittmar 2.3, Sims 2.0, Saliba 1.1, Sanders, Turner 1.0, Barratt, Parsons 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — PORT: Mark Williams (calf).
UMPIRES — Michael Abbott, Laurie Argent.

Norwood Oval

SOUTH 7.3 15.7 20.12 22.16 (148) Norwood 2.1 3.3 6.4 11.11 (77)

BEST — **SOUTH:** Troy, Hewitt, Brockhurst, Heath, Battams, Bickley, Page, Dillon, Kappler, Bennett. **NORWOOD:** Sheldrick, Aish.

GOALS — SOUTH: Woodlands 4.3, Stoeckel 4.0, Schmid 3.5, Bickley, Hewitt 3.0, Page, Cameron 1.2, Troy 1.1, Kappler, Naley 1.0, Bennett 0.1, rushed 0.2. NORWOOD: Zealand, Payne 3.2, Hand 2.2, Aish 1.1, Bowman, Muster 1.0, Balme 0.2, Rowe, Pittman 0.1.

UMPIRES: Mark Barnett, Leslie Harrison.

Richmond Oval

GLENELG 2.6 4.11 6.17 13.20 (98) West 1.2 7.7 7.11 9.15 (69)

BEST — GLENELG: Salisbury, Liptak, Jameson, Lamb, Bow, Gibbs, Christie, Rouvray. WEST: A. Fielke, Ravesi, Banfield, Fitzsimmons, Blythe. GOALS — GLENELG: Lamb 3.4, Christie 3.0, Symonds 2.3, Salisbury 2.1, Seebohm 2.0, Jameson 1.1, Hallahan 0.3, Chigwidden 0.2, Hele, Elias, Liptak, Gepp 0.1, rushed 0.2. WEST: Byrne 3.2, Mickan 2.0, Banfield 1.1, Rehn, Fitzsimmons, Goss 1.0, Blythe 0.2, Kerr, Mellor, Porter, Woods 0.1, rushed 0.6.

INJURIES — WEST: Patterson (bruised hand).
UMPIRES: Tim Pfeiffer, Richard Williams.

Ladder F % Pts A 62.38 252 152 GLENELG 53.64 184 159 PORT 66.67 2 148 74 **EAGLES** 2 1 56.66 268 205 SOUTH 56.54 121 93 CENTRAL 50.89 2 201 194 North 155 208 42.70 West 2 269 38.30 167 Sturt 34.63 160 302 Norwood

	Games	Y'day	Tota
M. Dittmar (North)	2	2	9
S. Schmid (South)	2	3	
C. Woodlands (South)	2	4	
A. Symonds (Glenelg)	2	4	7
D. Payne (Norwood)	2	3	(
M. Murphy (Glenelg)	1	-	(
R. Mandemaker (Central)		6	(
R. Lukosius(Eagles)	1	5	
S. Byrne (West)	2	3	
D. Borlase (Port)	2	1	
P. Bennett (North)	2	4	
M. Russell (Glenelg)	2	-	

SA draw

Saturday: 2pm, Port v. Norwood (Football Park); Central v. Eagles (Elizabeth); West v. North (Richmond). Monday (April 8): 8pm, South v. Glenelg (Football Park). Sturt, bye. Reigning premier Port Adelaide and North Adelaide produced a titantic struggle at Football Park yesterday before the Magpies escaped with a dramatic one-point victory.

Trailing for the first half, Port defied North's challenge in the dying moments to win on a day when only 17,405 people watched a full round of South Australian National Football League matches.

At The Parade, Foundation Cup champion South Adelaide underlined its premiership claims with a 71-point thrashing of a disappointing Norwood, which now has lost its opening two matches by a collective total of 142 points.

Sturt lost its second match within five days, this time by 28 points to Central District.

Without former Carlton captain Wayne Johnston, who withdrew before the match and will now have an arthroscopy examination on his left knee, Sturt was further weakened by injuries to Andrew Johns (hamstring) and John Richter (corked thigh).

The young Glenelg team powered away in the second half and defeated West Adelaide by 29 points at Richmond Oval.

Messy, but Tigers take it

By ALAN SHIELL

Glenelg produced another big finish to run away from West Adelaide by 29 points in a scrappy struggle at Richmond Oval.

The Tigers' 9.9 to 2.8 in the second half, including 7.3 to 2.4 in the last quarter, was reminiscent of the way they hurried home against Norwood the previous week — 14.14 to 5.0 after half-time.

Glenelg coach Kym Hodgeman said later: "Our second quarters are letting us down. We're not converting and we're dropping off in our work-rate."

He said West was "very competitive, very determined".

Glenelg lost Michael Murphy and Allan Bartlett to the Crows, but Rod Jameson returned from the AFL team and, at centre, was one of Glenelg's most consistent, productive performers.

New captain Scott Salisbury put in another typically aggressive, inspirational effort.

Matthew Liptak was a creative rover and shone on a halfback flank in the last term, when Lyndon Bow also stood out on a wing.

an explosive powerpoint at centre half-forward and kicked 3.4 with his booming left boot, and John Seebohm's recovery from a first-quarter leg injury and switch from the bench to the goalfront in the last quarter was another of Hodgeman's decisive moves.

Back pocket Ross Gibbs seemingly picked up kicks at will — 12 in the first quarter! — Gary Christie's ruckwork was important and young Paul Rouvray, more muscular because of the Crows' gruelling training and weight sessions, was a regular kick-getter on a wing and did a good job when moved to centre half-back.

West probably was best served by wingman Tony Fielke, half-back Paul Ravesi, centreman Peter Banfield, rover Shane Fitzsimmons and follower Sean Blythe.

GLENELG	KICKS							FREES				
	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	M	H/S	FOR	AG	GLS	BHS	H/0
THORNBORROW	1	1	1		3	3	3		2			2
RUSSELL	3	1		3	7	4	1					
CHIGWIDDEN		1	4	5	10	3	11	1	2		2	\Box
JAMESON	5	1	4	6	16	4	12	2	2	1	1	
BARTLETT				2	2	1	2					
SYMONDS	2	2	6	4	14	6	4			2	3	
HELE	3	6	3	5	17	4	2				1	
LAMB	4	6	2	4	16	5	4	3	1	3	4	
GEPP	3	2	1	2	8	2	13	2	3		1	
McKAY .	1	3	1	2	7	2	6	1	_			
SEEBOHM	1			3	4	3	4	1	1	2		
BOW	2	3	4	3	12	2	9	1	1			
GIBBS	12	2	3	1	18	5	4	1	1			
ELIAS			4	2	6	6	8		2		1	1
ROUVRAY	6	6	4	2	18	4	6	2	1			_
CHRISTIE	1	6		3	10	7	3	2		3		6
SALISBURY	6	3	3	5	17	4	4	3	3	2	1	
LIPTAK	5	3	2	2	12	2	20	2	1	-	1	
McINTOSH	5	-	1	3	9	1	6	_	1			
HALLAHAN		4	5	3	12	3	6		1		3	
RUSHED							-		-		2	
TOTAL	60	50	48	60	218	71	128	21	22	13	20	9

WEST		KICKS							FREES			
	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	M	H/S	FOR	AG	GLS	BHS	H/O
WOODS	1	3			4		1		1		1	
REHN		6	1		7	5	5	1	1	1		3
MELLOR	3	2	1		6	2	1				1	
KERR	3	2	2	3	10	4	4				1	
GOSS	4	2	1	2	9	5	3	1	2	1		
BYRNE	1	3	1	2	7	4	6	1		3	2	
FIELKE	9	5	3	4	21	7	3	1	2			
BANFIELD	4	2	2	2	10	3	10		3	1	1	
CARLSON	2	5	6	4	17	3	8	2				
McKINNON	2	2	1	2	7	6	6	1				
PATTERSON	3		2	1	6	5	10	1	1			
RAVESI	4	3	2	2	11	5	12	2	4			
EBERT	1	2	1	2	6	2	7	1	2			
PORTER	4	4			8	2	1				1	
SCHUMANN	3	1	2	4	10		3	2	1			
MICKAN	3		5	4	12	6	5	2	1	2		12
BLYTHE	2	5	5	4	16	3	2	4	1		2	
FITZIMMONS	4	4	4	1	13	3	10	2	1	1		
GRAHAM		1		3	4	4	2		1			1
CAMERON			3	3	6	1	2	1				
RUSHED											6	
TOTAL	53	52	42	43	190	70	101	22	21	9	15	16