

Crow Otten faces scrutiny for ump 'push'



STURT NORWOOD	1.4	4.8	6.9	11.9	75
	5.1	6.2	6.5	8.9	57

BEST Sturt Kirkwood, Beard, Stephens, F. Evans, Crocker, Harms. **Norwood:** Panos, Cachia, Baulderstone, Fuller, Georgiou, Jefferies. **GOALS Sturt** Beard 5, Hone 2, Carey, M. Evans, Voigt, Riley. **Norwood:** Johnston 2, Mitchell, Persinos, Baulderstone, Wilson, Denmead, Donohue. **INJURIES Sturt** Wilson (shoulder). **UMPIRES** Crosby, Hundertmark, Lewis. **CROWD** 3242 at Coopers Stadium, Norwood.

CENTRAL DISTRICT PORT ADELAIDE	4.4	5.6	10.11	13.14	92
	3.0	5.0	5.6	9.8	62

BEST Central T. Schiller, Jansen, Jenner, Hill, Hoskin, Barmby, Habel, Presbury, J. Schiller. **Port** Polec, Summerton, Howard, Ah Chee, Colquhoun, Impey. **GOALS Central** Hill 4, Jenner 3, Hoskin 2, Goodrem, Kavanagh, Furnell, Rumbelow. **Port** Houston, Reynolds 2, Polec, Butcher, Palmer, Krakouer, R. Young. **UMPIRES** A. Bennett, M. Schramm, C. Bowen. **CROWD** 2629 at Alberton Oval.

ADELAIDE GLENELG	4.1	9.5	12.10	17.14	116
	3.1	7.3	10.7	13.8	86

BEST Adelaide Greenwood, Henderson, Beech, Otten, Keath, Gore. **Glenelg** Sellar, Bradley, Agnew, McGinty, Howard, Sawford. **GOALS Adelaide** Beech, Greenwood 3, Grigg, Hunter, Lowden, Spencely 2, Knight, Ellis-Yolmen, Wigg. **Glenelg** Scott, Sumner 3, Alleway, Nicholson 2, Milera, Johansen, McGinty. **INJURIES Adelaide** Menzel (concussion). **Glenelg** Curran (hamstring), Proud (hamstring). **UMPIRES** Bau, Haussen, Philp. **CROWD** 3789 at Gliderol Stadium, Glenelg.

SANFL LADDER

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	Stk	%	Pts
Adelaide	4	4	-	-	440	263	4W	62.6	8
South Adelaide	4	4	-	-	427	273	4W	61.0	8
Sturt	4	3	-	1	316	271	3W	53.8	6
Central District	4	2	-	2	384	299	1W	56.2	4
Eagles	4	2	-	2	286	321	1W	47.1	4
Norwood	4	2	-	2	292	336	1L	46.5	4
Glenelg	4	1	-	3	370	340	2L	52.1	2
Port Adelaide	4	1	-	3	344	386	1L	47.1	2
North Adelaide	4	1	-	3	318	423	2L	42.9	2
West Adelaide	4	-	-	4	230	495	4L	31.7	-

WARREN PARTLAND

ADELAIDE will take on South Adelaide in the battle of the unbeaten sides on Sunday after overcoming a highly competitive Glenelg at the Bay yesterday.

But former Panther Andy Otten will face plenty of scrutiny from the review panel before he returns to Noarlunga following an incident in the final quarter of the 30-point victory over the Tigers.

After being felled by a crude high tackle from Timmy Sumner, Otten appeared to push umpire Leigh Haussen in the back in an attempt to pursue Sumner to remonstrate.

Don't be deceived by the margin given the Tigers, playing with an abundance of passion and spirit, trailed by just nine points nine minutes into the final quarter.

Even Crows assistant coach Ryan O'Keefe admitted his side was overshadowed around the stoppages by an enthusiastic and desperate Tigers outfit.

"Glenelg came with a real hunt for the contest," O'Keefe said.

"They outworked us around the stoppages and wanted it a bit more."

"That put the rest of the team structures under more pressure than wanted. But we stuck to our principles and in the end kicked away."

The Crows looked to have control of the encounter when they burst to an 18-point ad-

vantage midway through the first term. They were a little more composed and were dangerous moving the ball.

But as was the case all game, the Tigers refused to be intimidated and challenged the Crows to close within six at quarter-time. Interestingly, the Tigers had a huge 70 handballs in the opening term compared to 49 kicks.

Each time the Crows grabbed a handy lead, the Tigers would respond and their defensive actions created opportunities.

Down back, the Crows were well led by Ricky Henderson and Otten, while Alex Keath was impressive for a bloke playing his first game in six years. When the ball went forward, Jonathon Beech was busy although the delivery into attack often lacked polish.

The character of the Tigers continues to be tested and again they proved themselves as they closed to within three points in the third term.

Captain Andrew Bradley leads by example, Bradley Agnew is a terrific worker and James Sellar gives the Tigers a leader in defence. There is also plenty of pace in the side to worry rivals.

"That was the difference between the last quarter and the other three, the execution and delivery going forward," O'Keefe said. "In the last quarter we were a lot cleaner around the contest and the delivery was better."



CONFRONTATION: Crow Andy Otten remonstrates with Glenelg's Timmy Sumner after his crude high tackle yesterday at the Bay.

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