● South's form causes stir

NORTH MOVE UP ON TABLE

By SAM GALLAGHER

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Returning to form after two successive defeats, North Adelaide stopped Norwood's winning run by three points at Kensington today.

This result, coupled with South's surprisingly easy win over Torrens, caused the only change in positions on the premiership table.

North take over second place on percentage from the Eagles.

At Glenelg, West had some anxious moments before clearing out in the last quarter to win by 28 points.

Port's show of power in beating Sturt by 55 points at Alberton is ominous. The Magpies are now undisputed holders of top position.

Norwood, Sturt, and West are locked together in fourth place

The fight for a place in the finals is further complicated by the doubt that all must have about meeting South after their convincing win today.

DEFICIENCY

At Kensington, Norwood were not able to overcome the loss of Stephens from full forward.

They were beaten on the wings, where Barbary jumped right back to his brilliant best, and Hewett showed a welcome return to form.

Norwood did not persist long with Kneebone at full forward. He was shifted to centre half-back in the second term.

Bunton continued in great form for Norwood, but a deficiency in attack, where Lill also did not have his customary influence, left the Redlegs struggling.

FLOURISH

North's poor goalkicking left the scores in touch, and Norwood came from 17 points down in the last term to within two points, but could get no closer.

North's switch of Pascoe to full forward paid off handsomely. He got five goals on Aish.

At Adelaide, South's enthusiasm and determination were altogether too much for a disinterested Torrens.

The Eagles were held goalless in the first and third terms.

They came home with a fine flourish to kick seven goals in the last quarter, But South's start was too much.

Torrens' expected power points across centre and in ruck did not, or were not allowed to exert any influence on the game until too late.

West, shocked by a great second quarter recoverery by Glenelg, regained poise in the third term and went away to a comfortable win.

The chief difference between the teams was at full forward. Bray"s seven goals for West won it for them.

A feature of this match was the good form shown by Glenelg's new players.

Conceding Sturt first use of the breeze at Alberton, Port outscored the Blues and had the game won at half-time.

Sturt came back strongly in the third term but were swamped by the Magpies' powerful finish.

From the Port point of view, perhaps the most significant thing, apart from the return of Cahill and Thompson, was McBain's fine game in shutting out Tony Goodchild.

After next week's series, Norwood will probably be on the outside looking in. They meet Port at Norwood.

Port are gaining power as the season runs on while the Redlegs have stumbled.

Sturt go to Adelaide to face South. They have the skill to win but South will make them earn it.

CONFIDENCE

If there is any lack of resolution in Sturt's approach, they will find South taking full advantage of it.

North take on Glenelg at Prospect. Their win today must have restored confidence and the drive from a winning centre line should see them safe in second place for the time being.

West Adelaide could be one rung up the ladder after their game against Torrens at Thebarton.

The Eagles are not playing well. Perhaps today's last quarter was the sign of better things to come. But West's speed and understanding in attack will probably be too much for them.

SYSTEM WON IT WELL FOR WEST

By GIL LANGLEY

Systematic play by West won them the points from the Bays at Glenelg Oval.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	4—6	5—9	10—14	15—20	110
Glenelg	1—0	8—3	10—5	12—10	82

The Red-and-Blacks got loose only in the final quarter.

The Tigers should have had the game in their keeping by half-time.

Whereas Bray was a spearhead for West and scored seven goals, Glenelg's main scorers were their little sharpshooters.

Their spearhead always played behind, with costly results.

Poor kicking

Ruckmen and rovers of both sides had their moments of glory.

West, when in possession, capitalised, but poor kicking robbed Glenelg of a victory when they called the tune.

Kerley was a tower of strength after half-time.

But praise to the newcomers for Glenelg in Staite and Masters, in ruck.

West opened with two smart goals, and it looked like a cricket score game. They continued their onslaught with a handy breeze but poor goalshooting cost them plenty.

Glenelg's bustling tactics upset the Red-and-Blacks but they should have done better.

Far too many ball handling mistakes were made by both teams.

The drive across centre by West was also a let down through poor kicking.

Glenelg's big followers were a source of worry to West early in the second quarter.

But, breaking down at the goal front, Glenelg could not establish a lead.

Bray Branson

It was left to their little men, scouting intelligently to score.

West still battled during the third quarter, but their rucks and rovers gained momentum.

The Red-and-Blacks hit the front and there they stayed. They wore the Tigers down and took complete control.

Always finding a player with fine disposal, especially by rover Hogan, West sealed Glenelg's doom.

Also, their handball, when not overdone, showed polish.

It was all West in the second half.

West's two best players were at opposite ends of the ground.

Bray's goals and Fraser's defence were West highlights.

Glenelg were best served by a sound ruck effort by Branson, and Butler's tigerish play at half-back

TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

CONDITIONS: WINDY

At Adelaide

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	4—2	5—5	9—7	11—9	75
Torrens	0—2	1—7	1—8	8—12	60

BEST PLAYERS—**SOUTH**: Jackson, Panizza, Parkinson, Kitchen, Johnston, Kimber, Ploenges. **TORRENS**: Searle, Payze, Landers, Clingly, Kingston, Morrell.

SCORERS—**SOUTH**: Jackson 4.2, Panizza 3.1, Kupsch 1.1, Hilder 1.0, Stafford 1.0, Ploenges 1.0, Baraglia 0.3, Parham 0.1, Christle 0.1. **TORRENS**: Head 2.2, Hughes 1.3, Cowling 1.2, Kingston 1.1, Landers 1.0, Townsend 1.0, Mitchell 1.0, Connolly 0.1, Morrell 0.1, Young 0.1, rushed 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—**SOUTH**: Parkinson (leg), replaced by Chirgwin in last quarter. Kimber replaced by Bartley in last quarter. **TORRENS**: Nil.

At Glenelg

West	4—6	5—9	10—14	15—20	110
Glenelg	1—0	8—3	10—5	12—10	82

BEST PLAYERS—**WEST**: Bray, Fraser, Roach, Reu, Gates, Hogan, Garnett. **GLENELG**: Branson, Butler, Linke, Howard, Staite, Siegert, Herron.

SCORERS—**WEST**: Bray 7.5, Wright 3.3, Hogan 3.1, Eustice 1.4, O'Driscoll 1.0, Garnett 0.2, Ryan 0.2, Phipps 0.1, Reu 0.1, rushed 0.1. **GLENELG**: Richens 3.1, Howard 3.1, Fraser 2.1, Payne 2.0, Hewett 1.2, Kernahan 1.2, rushed 0.3.

REPLACEMENTS—**WEST**: Nil. **GLENELG**: Nil.

At Kensington

North	2—6	5—11	7—16	11—19	85
Norw'd	2—0	5—1	9—4	12—10	82

BEST PLAYERS—**NORTH**: Barbary, Hewett, Cheek, Faggotter, Montgomery, Gambling, Pascoe. **NORWOOD**: Bunton, Johnson, McMahon, Harrison, Dellar, Kneebone, Aish.

SCORERS—**NORTH**: Pascoe 4.6, Faggotter 2.1, Hughes 2.1, Thomas 1.4, Whitford 1.2, Hewett 1.1, Bubner 0.2, Lindner 0.1, Sheppard 0.1. **NORWOOD**: Johnson 4.1, Modra 2.1, Wells 2.1, Inglis 1.1, Kneebone 1.0, Sawley 1.0, Wedding 1.0, Lill 0.3, Brenchley 0.2, Bunton 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS—**NORTH**: Sheppard (leg), replaced by Gutsche in second quarter. Whitford (leg), replaced by Mullins in last quarter. **NORWOOD**: Brenchley (leg), replaced by Vivian in last quarter. Wiesner (leg), replaced by Elder in last quarter.

At Alberton

Port	3—0	7—6	8—8	15—13	103
Sturt	1—6	1—10	5—12	6—12	48

BEST PLAYERS—**PORT**: Abley, Obst, Hannaford, McBain, Hayes, Cahill, Motley. **STURT**: King, Fenton-Smith, Thompson, Halbert, Dunn, Freundt, Schoff.

SCORERS—**PORT**: Johns 4.1, Dittmar 3.4, Hayes 2.1, I. Hannaford 1.3, Thompson 1.1, Potter 1.1, Williams 1.1, Luke 1.0, Marrett 1.0, rushed 0.1. **STURT**: Thompson 2.2, Fenton-Smith 2.0, Fitzgerald 1.2, Dunn 1.2, Goodchild 0.2, Douglas 0.2, Schoff 0.1, Rigney 0.1, Halbert 0.1, rushed 0.1

REPLACEMENTS—**PORT**: Boyd (leg), replaced by Tierney in last quarter. Whelan (leg), replaced by Powell in last quarter. **STURT**: Rigney (rib injury), replaced by Smith in last quarter.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	Points For	Points Agst.	Prem. Pts.	%
Port	8	3	979	639	16	60.50
North	7	4	914	741	14	55.22
Torrens	7	4	800	775	14	50.79
Norwood	6	5	1017	864	12	54.06
Sturt	6	5	1012	947	12	51.65
West	6	5	946	916	12	50.80
South	3	8	664	1048	6	38.78
Glenelg	1	10	812	1214	2	40.07

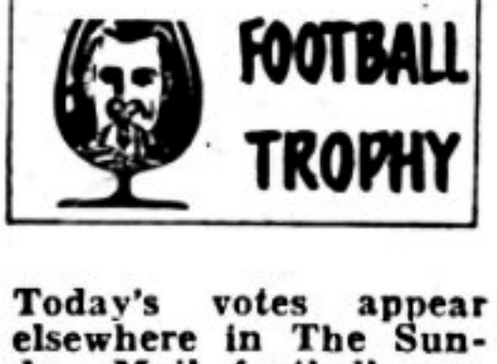
LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Douglas (Sturt)	0.2	11	36.26
Dittmar (Port)	3.4	10	35.31
Stephens (Norwood)	—	8	33.13
Johns (Port)	4.1	9	28.25
Kernahan (Glenelg)	1.2	11	25.17
Lill (Norwood)	0.3	11	23.24
Sheppard (North)	0.1	11	23.15
Bray (West)	7.5	11	22.14
Wright (West)	3.3	11	21.24
Thomas (North)	1.4	11	21.20
Thompson (Sturt)	2.2	11	20.7

HIGHEST	LOWEST
League—West 15-20 (110)	Sturt 6-12 (48)
Seconds—Norwood 12-15 (87)	Glenelg 8-6 (54)

ATTENDANCES

Alberton	10,500
Adelaide	7,500
Glenelg	5,000
Kensington	12,000
Total	35,000



Today's votes appear elsewhere in The Sunday Mail football section.

Here is the progressive voting in the Mildara Trophy:

20—H. Bunton.
19—D. Panizza.
16½—R. Morrell.
15—I. Hannaford, P. Aish, K. Wedding.
14—W. Dittmar.
13½—B. Barbary.
13—G. Branson. J. Bray, C. Thompson.