

WEST CHARGES TO FIVE BUT LOSES LUDERS

FOOTBALL PARK

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	5-2	7-6	11-8	16-12	108
South	4-3	8-8	13-11	13-16	94

BEST—PORT: Curtis, Russell, Gotch, Bradley, R. Smith, Johnston, Ginever, Kennedy. **SOUTH:** Troy, David Kappler, Schneebichler, Naley, Lockman, Christie, Brooksby, Palmer.
SCORES—PORT: Evans 5-2, Gotch 3-1, Bradley 2-1, Ginever 2-0, Russell 1-1, R. Smith 1-0, Kennedy 1-0, Lawson 1-0, Boyd 0-1, Johnston 0-1, rushed 0-5. **SOUTH:** Davies 5-4, Schneebichler 3-2, Brockhurst 1-2, Campbell 1-1, Bennett 1-1, P. Martin 1-1, David Kappler 0-1, Darren Kappler 0-1, rushed 0-3.
INJURIES—PORT: Anderson (shoulder), Clifford (hip). **SOUTH:** Naley (severe bite on back), Troy (leg).
UMPIRES—S. Ardill, J. Hylton.

UNLEY OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	9-1	13-4	15-6	21-8	134
Central	3-1	5-4	12-7	18-9	117

BEST—STURT: Craig, Hollis, Whittlesea, Viney, Wark, Pavnter, Smith. **CENTRAL:** Hannam, Platten, Shields, McGrath, Cousins, Thomas.
SCORES—STURT: Willmott 6-1, Pavnter 4-0, Martin 4-0, Hollis 3-2, Craig 2-1, Motley 2-0, Frost 0-1, Viney 0-1, Graham 0-1, rushed 0-1. **CENTRAL:** Platten 5-3, Krieg 3-1, Fraser 3-1, Shields 2-1, Roe 2-0, Graham 1-1, Cousins 1-0, O'Rielly 1-0, rushed 0-2.
INJURIES—STURT: Reid (bruised ribs), Craig (strained groin), Willmott (gashed lip).
REPORT—CENTRAL: S. Boehm by goal umpire K. Brooks for allegedly striking P. Heinrich (Sturt) with a right forearm during third term.
UMPIRES—Rick Kinnear, Neville Thorp.

GLENELG OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Glenelg	6-5	13-7	15-14	22-19	151
Woodville	3-5	10-9	16-11	20-14	134

BEST—GLENELG: Symonds, S. Kernahan, McDermott, Maynard, Duthy, Gibbs. **WOODVILLE:** Harris, Fuller, Blight, Jackson, Jolly, Sewer, Schwarz.
SCORES—GLENELG: Thomson 4-2, Symonds 4-1, S. Kernahan 3-4, Copping 3-0, Maynard 2-1, McGuinness 1-5, A. Stringer 1-1, McDermott 1-1, Henwood 1-0, Carey 1-0, Salisbury 1-0, D. Kernahan 0-1, rushed 0-3. **WOODVILLE:** Blight 6-2, Harris 4-2, Jackson 3-4, Toome 2-1, Mazy 1-1, Schwarz 1-1, Beecroft 1-0, Rechner 1-0, Jolly 1-0, rushed 0-3.
INJURY—WOODVILLE: Colin McDonald (ankle) during the first term.
UMPIRES—Mark Mackie, Laurie Argent.

ADELAIDE OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	7-2	11-5	19-9	27-11	173
Torrens	3-4	8-9	13-13	18-17	125

BEST—NORWOOD: Payne, M. Aish, G. Thomas, K. Thomas, McIntosh, Vardanaka, Neagle. **TORRENS:** Sims, Sarau, Stretch, Enright, Payne, Hank, Johnston.
SCORES—NORWOOD: Michaelanney 5-3, Payne 5-1, M. Aish 4-2, K. Thomas 3-1, G. Thomas 2-1, McIntosh 2-0, Neagle 2-0, Stewart 1-2, Hein 1-0, Vardanaka 1-0, Jarvis 1-0, rushed 0-1. **TORRENS:** Johnston 6-3, Hanna 3-1, Hill 3-1, Sims 2-1, Meehan 2-0, Stretch 1-2, Collier 1-1, Schimmbusch 0-1, Payne 0-1, Colsey 0-1, B. Lindsay 0-1, rushed 0-4.
INJURY—NORWOOD: Hein (knee).
UMPIRES—Jim Field, Daryl Schramm.

RICHMOND OVAL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	6-5	12-11	24-17	31-21	207
North	3-1	6-4	10-8	16-11	107

BEST—WEST: C. Herbert, D. Herbert, Fielke, Bennett, Burton, Luders, Andrews, Grosser, McKinnon. **NORTH:** Tiller, Hav, Brearley, Armfield, S. Riley.
SCORES—WEST: Andrews 7-2, Luders 5-5, Bennett 5-0, D. Herbert 4-1, Burton 2-3, Fielke 2-3, Meuret 2-0, McKinnon 1-2, Miller 1-0, Winter 1-0, Grosser 1-0, Ryan 0-1, Rushed 0-4. **NORTH:** Brearley 5-1, Parsons 3-1, Simons 2-1, Bennett 2-0, Hay 1-1, D. Jarman 1-1, Antrobus 1-0, Campbell 1-0, Zoonjens 0-2, Tiller 0-2, Rushed 0-2.
INJURY—WEST: Roger Luders (broken jaw in third quarter).
UMPIRES—Graham Hilton, Geoff Bowles.

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Games	Yesterday	Total
Willmott (Sturt)	16	6-1	95-33
Blight (Woodville)	16	6-2	93-60
Davies (South)	16	5-4	89-32
Roberts (Torrens)	16	—	65-28
Dieterich (North)	12	—	55-24
Beecroft (Woodville)	16	1-0	53-16
Johnston (Torrens)	16	6-3	52-24
Copping (Glenelg)	14	3-0	52-17

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	D	L	For	Agst	Pts	%
North	13	—	4	2228	1847	26	51.81
Norwood	11	1	5	1958	1728	23	53.06
Sturt	10	1	6	2152	1881	21	63.36
Glenelg	10	—	7	2076	1789	20	53.71
West	8	—	9	2107	2016	16	50.73
Central	8	—	9	1989	1985	16	50.05
Torrens	7	—	10	1943	2229	14	46.63
South	6	—	11	1775	2025	12	46.71
Port	6	—	11	1897	2222	12	46.05
Woodville	5	—	12	2092	2475	10	45.81

CROWDS

Football Park	8088
Adelaide Oval	6362
Unley	6783
Richmond	4677
Glenelg	4406

NEXT WEEK

Sturt v West (Football Park)	Central v South (Elizabeth)	Port v Torrens (Alberton)	Woodville v Norwood (Woodville)	North v Glenelg (Prospect)
------------------------------	-----------------------------	---------------------------	---------------------------------	----------------------------

West Adelaide lived up to its pre-season expectations by bouncing into the five for the first time this year with a giant-killing 100-point win over North Adelaide

But the triumph was costly. High-flying forward Roger Luders will have surgery tomorrow on his jaw which was broken in two places.

He was admitted to Wakefield Memorial Hospital and is unlikely to play again this year.

Luders, who had torn apart the North defence kicking five goals to that point, was hit while going for a mark.

He collided with a North defender and had to be carried from the field on a stretcher.

Coach John Cahill praised his players' efforts which lifted the team into the top five for the first time this season.

Record

"It was our most impressive running game for the year," he said.

"I was pleased with our fierceness and tackling too."

The 100-point loss was North's largest ever by West at Richmond while the 314-point total for the match was a record for North-West games at Richmond.

North has lost its past three matches and is in danger of not winning the minor premiership. It is 1½ wins clear of Norwood, and they clash in round 21.

Coach Mick Nunan was not showing any outward emotion of anger or distress at his team's hat-trick of losses.

"What can you say when you are comprehensively beaten like that," he said.

By Hannibal Rossi and Lawrie McCauley

The Bloods replaced Central District in the five after it lost by 17 points to Sturt in a tough match at Unley.

Teams were hit hard by injury yesterday:

• Luders' teammate Richard Hamilton also was in the wars and has suspected broken ribs, which means he is likely to miss at least one or two games.

• Port Adelaide wingman Greg Anderson injured his left shoulder early in the game against South and although he played on, he is doubtful for next week — as is Stephen Clifford (hip).

• Norwood ruckman Neil Hein jarred his knee in the match against West Torrens, but is unlikely to miss games.

• Woodville defender Colin McDonald injured his ankle against Glenelg, but also is unlikely to miss out on consideration for next Saturday's match.

• Sturt goalsneak Ian Willmott has a gashed lower lip following his team's 17-point win against Central. Willmott should return on Saturday to add to his season tally of 95 goals.

Captain Neil Craig may not be so fortunate. He has a strained groin and is extremely doubtful to resume for the next game.

Boehm booked

Central District defender Stephen Boehm will face the league tribunal on Tuesday night for allegedly striking Sturt's Peter Heinrich at Unley Oval yesterday.

Boehm had his number taken during the third term by goal umpire Kevia Brooks for allegedly striking Heinrich with a right forearm.

Airborne Bays put Warriors down

Glenelg's aerial supremacy and tighter team cohesion enabled it to sneak home by 17 points in the game against Woodville at Glenelg Oval yesterday.



Lawrie McCauley

Glenelg won 22-19 to 20-14 after stifling stubborn resistance from the determined Warriors.

Woodville, more than matched the Bays when the ball hit the turf, but lost sight of victory because it could not compete in the air.

Stephen Kernahan (13 marks), Tony Symonds (10), Chris McDermott (10) and Ross Gibbs (10) had more marks between them than the entire Woodville side.

The Warriors finished with 41 grabs for the match while Glenelg recorded 98.

That clear advantage was enough to swing the game in Glenelg's favor when it looked like Woodville could stage an upset.

The home side played in patches — some brilliant, some woeful.

Only Symonds on a wing, Kernahan at centre half forward, McDermott following, Peter Maynard in attack and Chris Duthy in defence turned in four quarters of brilliance for the Bays.

Symonds was outstanding as he picked up 25 kicks, dished out 11 handballs and booted four goals.

Glenelg looked to be coasting to a comfortable win at the 20-minute mark

of the second term when it led 12-7 to 6-7.

But from that position, it succumbed to the head down, tail up determination of the Warriors, who piled on 10-4 to 3-7 by the three-quarter time break.

Woodville rover Kevin Harris was the main instigator of the revival with his aggressive running, chasing and prolific kicking.

It may have been Harris who sparked life into the Woodville camp but he did not have to play a lone hand once the team gained momentum.

Malcolm Blight collected a valuable six goal haul, Ron Fuller was in everything, Sean Jackson bobbed in and out of the game to good effect, Ralph Sewer did a lot of damage to his former club and Peter Schwarz also made a positive contribution.

The Warriors enjoyed a three point lead at three quarter time and the satge was set for a rough and tumble final term.

But Glenelg steadied in the face of intense pressure and eventually quashed any hope Woodville may have had of scoring an upset.

In the final quarter it was players like Symonds, Gibbs, McDermott, David Kernahan, Alan Stringer, Tony McGuinness, Stephen Kernahan and, Steve

Thomson who coolly manoeuvred Glenelg into the winner's circle.

As Woodville captain-coach Malcolm Blight said: "It was pretty tight all day but we made a few mistakes at the wrong time and a few of their better players came good for them at the right time."

"But 17 points is not much in it in today's game."

"Our main aim now is to win next week."

Glenelg coach Graham Cornes said: "At least we got the two premiership points out of the game."

"We didn't capitalise on our opportunities and they controlled the ball on the ground more than we did."

"But we learned from the match."

"After surrendering a six goal lead they were able to regain the lead and run away with it in the end."

"It was very pleasing that they could maintain their momentum and come back the way they did."

Woodville may have been gallant in defeat but that was not enough to prevent it slipping down to the bottom of the SANFL premiership table.

The Warriors have captured the past five wooden spoons and are desperate to avoid making it six in a row.

But the side is now one game plus percentage behind Port and South — with just five minor round matches left to play.

South 'not worthy of finals'

Disappointed South Adelaide coach Rick Davies last night blasted the Panthers as not being worthy of being in the final five.

"On our losing performance against Port, we don't deserve to be in the five," Davies said.

"We simply weren't good enough to win."

"Grath handled the pressure better than we did. We made important mistakes when we couldn't afford to."

Davies' sobering thoughts come in the wake of his club folding to bottom side Port, just a week

By Gordon Campbell and Ashley Porter

after downing league leader North.

The Panthers are eighth and two games out of the five with only five minor round games remaining.

They will clash with smarting Central District at Elizabeth on Saturday and must win to keep alive slim finals hopes.

Another major concern for Davies was that South was held goal-less in the final term for the second successive game.

He acknowledged the tough contract to displace West, Central, Torrens — the

above South — and force a finals berth.

But he, like PORT ADELAIDE coach Russell Ebert, has not ruled out the possibility of competing in the major round.

Ebert was relieved at Port's rise from bottom to ninth and identified improved confidence as the reason for successive victories.

CENTRAL DISTRICT coach Kevin Neale said after losing to Sturt his players were not as committed as they should be.

"They have shown they are capable of beating any side, but they have not put more than a quarter and a half together this season," he said.

"My blokes are trying, but try-

ing does not win. Good sides bust their guts.

"Four times this year we have been in a position to consolidate our place in the five and we have not won, and that's disappointing."

Tempers became frayed during the match, especially after Sturt full forward Ian Willmott was knocked down with a bone-crunching hip and tackle bump just before half time.

The bump was heard in the grandstands, but Willmott surprised by going back on during the third term.

Players voiced anger at each other as the teams entered the players' race at half time, and the field umpires told them to "cool it."