

SOUTH ROUT PORT

NORWOOD EASILY BEAT STURT

TORRENS' NARROW WIN

WEST DEFEAT GLENELG.

Bay Team Improving.

West are an unknown quantity. Though they had defeated last year's pennant winners they were, prior to to-day's match, keeping Glenelg company at the bottom of the list, which would seemingly give the city men a chance to prove themselves. They met on the Glenelg Oval, the teams being as published. Morgan, West's reputed crack forward, who has been suffering from his ankle, appeared for the first time, and the local team included Hillier (absent last Saturday on account of a twisted shoulder), Kappler, (who played last season), and a couple of new juniors. Ware, West's 12-stone rover, will not reach town from the sea secured and sent the ball forward.

There was only a small attendance, and a slight breeze came from the south. Peters won the toss and kicked with the wind. Immediately after the bounce Scanlon secured and sent the ball forward. Morgan marked near goal, but was unsuccessful. West had the bulk of the play for a while. Glenelg were kicking badly, which nullified their good-marking. The ball veered to West's end, where Barnes from a nice kick opened the scoring with a point. Martin also secured a point. Morgan was awarded a free in front of the sticks, and he had no difficulty in punting it through. Some good passing by the home team and Hillier marked. His place-kick fell short, and the leather was taken away by Scanlon. Morgan raised another point, a performance he repeated a little later on. Good marking and passing by Marshall put Mutton in possession near the goals, and he made good use of his opportunity with a full-point. A tussle round West's citadel resulted in a goal being snatched from the pack by Morgan. He was again to the fore, booting his third major from a free. After the bounce Hillier secured and from another place-kick scored a point. However, spy made possible with the possibility from a screwing drop-kick. The bell rang with the scores:—

WEST 3-6

GLENELG 2-1

With the change of ends West secured. Glenelg's goalkeeper bumped the post and the ball rolled through. The kicking on both sides was deplorable, and West were not shaping well. They seemed amazed, often looking the wrong way for the ball. Play hovered round the home team's goal, but the forwards were unable to do anything. Hanley from a fair distance obtained a minor. Up the centre Kappler marked nicely and forwarded, but Cossey proved too good for his man. Scanlon took it up forward to Kempster, who scored another point. West were now improving, and had most of the play. The kicking was still bad, 14 minors having been scored before half-time. Hillier was placed in possession again, and this time his aim was true. Peters gained the knock-out and the sphere sailed Westward. Moore, a new man from Uraidia, marked well, however, and saved the situation. It came back again, this time to Martin, who from an easy position kicked out of bounds. Just before half-time Mutton caused excitement with a good shot that hit a post. Scores:—

WEST 3-11

GLENELG 3-6

Flushed with the prospect of victory Glenelg began after the recess with plenty of vim, but this did not deter the indomitable Morgan from gaining his fourth major. From the bounce the ball was secured by Hillier, who again place-kicked surely. Back again, and this time from the centre Hanley had a place-kick, which fell short. The game became fast, Glenelg in the supremacy, and Moore sniping out in the back lines. Lukeman snapped a goal. The ball once more travelled towards Glenelg's end, and Hillier had two unsuccessful places, but it was left to Hanley, who was supreme in the air, to gain the maximum. He was playing at his top form, on occasion marking over Peters' head. Just near the goals Moore juggled the ball, but Whitford managed only a point. Perry had a good run round the wing, but merely a single resulted.

Glenelg were playing strongly, and their supporters were jubilant. West were out-clamed both on the ground and in the air in this quarter. Play veered round Glenelg's end, but Bishop cleared with a free. A spectacular run back by Barnett was spoilt by a bad kick, and Cossey took a loudly applauded mark. West pulled themselves together and held the play for a while, but the "tigers" were now on their mettle, and were playing a great game. This quarter was productive of much better football, but Glenelg still seemed unused to handling the ball. Third quarter scores were:—

PREMIERSHIP TABLE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts. for	Pts. agst	Pos.
Torrens	4	4	—	—	241	185	8
Norwood	4	3	1	—	381	187	6
South	4	3	1	—	301	217	6
West	4	2	2	—	210	210	4
North	4	2	2	—	229	227	4
Sturt	4	1	3	—	241	260	2
Port	4	1	3	—	208	234	2
Glenelg	4	—	4	—	176	347	—

WEST 5-15
GLENELG 5-8

It now remained to be seen which team could stay, and speculation was rife among the spectators. West opened determinedly and Morgan snapped yet another goal, the again secured after the bounce and passed to Barnes, who failed to score. West were now playing a vastly improved game, and their marking had changed. Barnes to Bishop, and a scrimmage in front of the sticks resulted in a point. Excitement was caused in front of West's goal, and Morgan was penalised twice for holding the ball. Liebelt marked coolly and sent the ball to Marsden, who passed to Percival, but again Glenelg's artillerists could not obtain possession. A free to Lukeman relieved the pressure on the goal. The Bay men had lost their third quarter dash, and were now contributing uninspiring play. Morgan was again prominent, snapping his sixth major with a piece of tricky play. Hanley secured and on to Mutton, who drop-kicked straight and true from a fair way out. Glenelg needed three goals to win, and their supporters were downhearted. They cheered, however, when Hanley had a shot, but only a behind resulted. Play became fast again, and Glenelg fought hard in the last few minutes. The bell rang with the scores showing:

WEST 7-18
GLENELG 6-10

Goalkeepers.—West—Morgan (6), Lukeman; Glenelg—Hillier and Mutton (2), Perry, and Hanley.
Best Players.—West—Scanlon, Morgan, Bishop, Ussery, Hobbable, Barnes, Lukeman, and Lee. Glenelg—Moore, Hanley, Marshall, Kappler, Hillier, Liebelt, Mutton, and Oliver.

SOUTH'S GREAT VICTORY.

Port in Poor Form.

SOUTH	4-1	6-2	10-6	11-11
PORT	2-3	4-9	5-12	5-13

Best Players.—South—Easton, Vickers, D. and J. V. Moriarty, Oliver, Waye, Caust, Williams, McKee, Allen, C. Daly. Port—Adams, L. C. Dayman, Bampton, Allingham, Bower, Mucklow, Oids.
Goalkeepers.—South—McKee (3), Allen, Easton, and Kay (each 2), Caust, Waye. Port—L. C. Dayman, Allingham, Robertson, Mayne, Maywald.

NORWOOD DOWN STURT.

Easterners' Brilliant Play.

NORWOOD	6-3	8-4	11-9	13-11
STURT	0-3	4-8	5-8	8-9

Best Players.—Norwood—W. Scott, Hepburn, Fowler, B. Scott, White, Bryant, Stephens, Toovey, Hart, Sturt, Richardson, Riley, Odgers, O. and E. Beatty, Barron, Jackson.
Goalkeepers.—Norwood—Bent, Hart, Close (each 3), Bryant, B. Scott, Fowler, Schumacher. Sturt—Jackson, Barron, Lyne (each 2), Riley, O. Beatty.

TORRENS' SEVEN-POINT WIN

Close Fight at Prospect.

TORRENS	2-4	7-0	8-11	10-11
NORTH	3-2	3-2	9-3	10-4

Goalkeepers.—Torrens—Mills (4), Marvell (2), Nesbitt, Jones, Oatey, and Marsh. North—Kinnear (3), Ween, and Thomas (each 2), Sprigg, Curnow, and Wallis.
Best Players.—Torrens—Marvell, Oaten, Pain, Strugnell, Mills, and Marsh. North—Kinnear, Conrad, Quigley, Ween, Zevern, and Thomas.

NOTES ON THE PLAY

GLENELG'S IMPROVED FORM

Glenelg have yet to win their spurs. They seem to lack that finish which wins matches, and seem to be unused to handling the ball.

Their form to-day, however, showed great improvement, and playing the match was not so noticeable. Despite continued defeats they have stuck to their game, and success should come their way before long.

West were disappointing. At first they seemed unable to do anything right, and failed to reproduce any of the form they displayed in the first match of the season.

Only their experience and stamina won them the match. Their marking and kicking in the first half were bad, and not by any means excellent in the second part.

Morgan did all that was expected of him, and notched six of West's seven majors. He is a big forward, but can dodge and squirm like a small man.

Scanlon played best for West, making the game spicy with his runs and his skimming kicks.

Bishop showed improved form, and was, perhaps, a little better than Barnes of the day. Both played well.

Peters did not display his usual form on account of recent illness.

Hanley and Moore shared honours for the best on the field. Hanley was superb in the air.

The three new men, Moore, Kappler, and Goits, played exceptionally well. Moore is a great defender, and should prove one of Glenelg's best men.

Hillier place-kicked two nice goals, and is making a name for himself. They were the result of good marks.

Mutton secured two majors, and stood out prominently for his kicking. One in the last quarter was spectacular.

Perry played well, and deserves mention.

Marshall, Glenelg's centre man, is among the best on his side.

Glenelg played their best team in the field to-day, and with experience they will not be a combination to be despised.

PORT OUT-SHOCKED.

South played a splendid game, especially in the second half, when they substantially drew away from their opponents.

There is no doubt that the style of the veteran Thedra, now South's coach, was reflected in South's play to-day. He does not believe in a parour game.

South developed the shock system and used the shoulder with telling advantage. South made it a game of bumps and kicks, with a scientific finish, and kept the ball moving.

Easton played a beautiful game following. He looks for the ball and not the man. The football which Sturt failed to extract from this athletic player, mainly because they did not persevere with him, South have discovered. On his present form Easton is one of the blue-and-whites' foremost men.

Across the centre, South easily predominated. On the wing Clark overshadowed Lloyd and Allen, on the whole, was more than a match for Mucklow, who was unfortunately injured just prior to the close of the game.

Vickers and Bampton played different games, though opposed to each other. On the day Vickers was more accessible to his side than Bampton was to Port.

In defence J. V. Moriarty was almost as effective, though not so prominent, as his champion brother.

Other solid backs were Williams and Oliver. The latter is a remarkable little goal defender, full of dash and resourcefulness, and as solid as a stone wall.

The roving Dalys were not as prominent as customary, but C. Daly shone like a brilliant star in the last phases of the tussle.

Though suffering from a severe cold McKee showed dazzling form in the firing lines, securing three goals in addition to other effective work.

Kay and Caust were also wideawake in the shooting lines.