

FOOTBALL IN THE WET—NORTH, SOUTH, AND PORT LOSE

RESULTS OF TO-DAY'S GAMES.

Norwood	6-5
North	4-4
Sturt	11-8
Port	8-7
West	10-9
South	5-7
Torrens	13-13
Glenelg	7-7

PREMIERSHIP LIST.

	P.	W.	L.	pts.	for.	agst.	pts.
Norwood	7	7	—	510	324	14	14
North	7	5	2	494	335	19	19
Sturt	7	4	3	528	412	8	8
South	7	4	3	477	474	8	8
West	7	3	4	390	369	6	6
Torrens	7	3	4	447	505	6	6
Port	7	2	5	425	497	4	4
Glenelg	7	—	7	375	585	—	—

MINOR ROUND HALF FINISHED.

ONCE more rain has marred the football programme. This afternoon the league teams entered playing arenas which had been thoroughly saturated by the heavy rains of the morning, and the games had not been long in progress before the participants were liberally bespattered with slush. To make matters worse rain fell during the progress of the matches, in which the players were at a great disadvantage owing to the greasy nature of the ground and ball.

Most interest was centred on the meeting at Prospect, where Norwood, who had won all their previous games, were billed to meet North, who had suffered but one defeat—by West—and were second on the premiership list. In view of North's performance against Port last Saturday many expected them to check the easterners' run of successes, but this expectation was not realised. The redlegs led throughout in an interesting tussle and ran out winners with 13 points to spare.

Sturt had not beaten Port at Unley since 1913, and notwithstanding their indifferent showing this season the magpies were by this fact encouraged to hope that they would once more down the double-blues on their home ground. Sturt, however, on this occasion proved too strong for the seashiders, who left the ground at the end of the match 3-1 in arrears.

Somewhat of a surprise was created by the comparatively easy manner in which West vanquished South on the Adelaide Oval. The red-and-blacks early established a lead, and except for a part of the third quarter held the upper hand throughout. They finished with a credit balance of 22 points.

When at half-time at the Thebarton Oval Glenelg were on even terms with Torrens, 4-5 all, the tigers began to have visions of their first win since their entry into the league. These, however, were quite dispelled in the third term, during which the blue-and-golds added 6-6, while their opponents failed to score. The last bout was evenly contested, and the Bayites thus suffered defeat once more—this time by 42 points.

Norwood have come through the first half of the minor round without a loss, and football patrons will eagerly look forward to the subsequent programme, in which the teams will once more try conclusions with each other.

NORWOOD DEFEAT NORTH

AN EXCITING TUSSLE.

NORWOOD	3-1	4-3	6-5	6-5
NORTH	1-1	3-2	3-2	4-4

Best Players.—Norwood—White, W. Scott, Lee, Heinrichs, Stephens, Potts, Burns, and Sibley. North—Burt, Lowe, Ween, W. Thomas, Zeven, Furler, Dawe, Wallis, and Fuss.

Goalkeepers.—Norwood—Schumacher, Lee, Mutton, Wadham, Bent, and Burns. North—Zeven (2), Grievé, and Hyde.

STURT BEAT PORT

GREAT GAME AT UNLEY.

STURT	4-4	7-4	8-5	11-8
PORT	2-0	2-4	5-5	8-7

Goalkeepers.—Sturt—Jackson (4), Rocchi (3), Leak (2), Whitehead and Waters. Port—Bayley (3), Barker, Hoffmann, Dewar, L. C. Dayman, and Allingham.

Best Players.—Sturt—Richardson, Bruce, Sharpe, Hale, Colquhoun, Beatty, Jackson, Rocchi, Leak, and Lyne. Port—Mucklow, C. Dayman, Bayley, Drew, Ford, McDonald, Harrison, Galliford, and Latimer.

TORRENS DOWN GLENELG

BAY MEN OVERWHELMED.

There was only a moderate attendance on the Thebarton Oval this afternoon to witness the Torrens-Glenelg match. The oval was a chain of waterholes, and within a few minutes of the commencement the players were saturated with slush. It was only with great difficulty they managed to remain on their feet.

Torrens' skipper won the toss and elected to kick towards the northern end. Mills, Hollis, and Marvell were the opening ruck for the home team, and they were opposed by Hanley, G. Ross, and E. Ross.

Torrens launched the initial attack and Glenelg retaliated. Hanley tried from a difficult angle, but missed by a narrow margin. Harrold opened the score with a minor. A free to Broderick at close range produced full points. From a melee in front Hollis snapped the maximum.

Play was fast and furious and the spectators were more amused than interested in what appeared to be an aquatic carnival. Marvell added the maximum and then the Bay men took a hand again. E. Ross delivered the goods from a running shot just before time, when the board read:—

TORRENS	3-2
GLENELG	1-1

With an appearance more like warriors than footballers both sides entered the second quarter with vigor. Trenwith and Harrold for Glenelg brightened the prospects of their side by scoring a goal apiece in quick order. Torrens returned to the attack. A free to Broderick sent the leather near the citadel. From a mud-and-slush scramble directly in front O'Grady booted through the uprights. A chain of passes saw Adams in possession, but he was able to raise only one flag. Harrold a moment later equalised the tally with a full-point contribution.

Harrold tried from a long distance and placed his side a point ahead. Martin kicked magnificently goalward. Mills went up with a bunch, and towering above the others saved. O'Grady just as the bell rang brought the scores even. Scores:—

GLENELG	4-5
TORRENS	4-5

The beginning of the third term was marked by a general mud scramble. Torrens quickly assumed control. O'Grady tried a long shot but hit a post. Davies, playing forward, delivered the goods. Another opportunity by O'Grady was this time taken full advantage of. Up-and-down play ensued for 10 minutes. A combined attack by Torrens culminated in a free to Broderick—a goal. The tigers were pressing hard, but their efforts were unavailing. Oaten snapped from a scrimmage at close quarters and kicked out of bounds. Hollis marked and scored full points. Marvell a moment later registered the possible, and Glenelg's discomfiture was completed when Pain followed immediately with the maximum. Glenelg had failed to score when "lemons" arrived with the tallies reading:—

TORRENS	10-11
GLENELG	4-5

With a deficit of 42 points Glenelg went into the final term gamely. Harrold broke the ice with a full-point contribution and Trenwith added another. Torrens were again in evidence. O'Grady marked brilliantly. Davies was placed in possession, but was able to raise only one flag. The visitors transferred. Moore added a minor. The play was fast and attractive, but Glenelg were unable to make up the leeway.

Ashley was conspicuous and sent up two flags. Marvell notched full points. A temporary lull, and the Bay men launched a final offensive. Clarke went up with success and found the opening, and O'Grady closed the account with a goal just as the bell rang. Scores:—

TORRENS	13-13
GLENELG	7-7

Best Players.—Torrens—Brown, O'Grady, Mills, Adams, Jones, Lock, Marvell. Glenelg—Hanley, Clarke, Harrold, Moore, E. Ross, Martin, Moore.

Goalkeepers.—Torrens—O'Grady and Marvell (each 3), Broderick and Hollis (each 2), Davies, Ashley, and Pain. Glenelg—Harrold (3), Trenwith (2), Clarke, and E. Ross.

NOTES ON THE PLAY

TORRENS' THIRD-QUARTER VICTORY.

A fair indication of the class of football played on the Thebarton Oval may be gained by a glance at the scores at half and three-quarter times. Honors were equally divided at half-time. Glenelg failed to score in the next term, but their opponents added 42 points.

It was the seashiders' weakest quarter, for they had previously played good football, and their supporters were well pleased with their showing.

Torrens gained their first victory for the season on the Thebarton Oval. The ground at the conclusion of the match resembled in places a quagmire. The oval authorities were surprised that the water, which practically covered the arena, had not soaked away.

Moore, despite an injury to a leg in the match against West Adelaide last Saturday, gave a capital exhibition at centre half-back.

Harrold was conspicuous throughout, and managed to get home three of the best.

Armfield, although not altogether fit as a result of an injury to a thigh sustained last Saturday, was continually in the limelight in the half-back lines.

Spry, the Glenelg back man, who sprained an ankle in the match against Sturt, was able to take his place again to-day.

E. Ross and G. Ross gave glimpses of form throughout. The latter is a follower from St. Peter's College, and graduated from the B ranks.

Hanley was all smiles at half-time, and he had some reason for them. He handled his men with rare ability.

Davies showed great form at forward. Hitherto he has played back.

Torrens' leader, Brown, played a sterling and effective game at centre.

O'Grady was constantly in the limelight. He snapped the final goal for Torrens right on the point of time. Most of the spectators thought the kick was registered too late. The goal umpire appeared to be uncertain, but eventually waved the flags.

Horseman, Torrens' clever goalkeeper, who has been on the injured list for some weeks, was again absent.

Karney, who is suffering from a knee injury, had not sufficiently recovered to take his place in the team.

Mills played his usual persistent game.

Marvell was one of the best men on the ground. He managed three goals, one of which he booted from an acute angle.

The last quarter was evenly contested, each team scoring 20 points. The seashiders would have had a good chance but for their dismal third-quarter display.

WEST VANQUISH SOUTH

WINNERS' MARKED SUPERIORITY.

WEST	2-3	5-5	6-6	10-9
SOUTH	0-2	1-2	3-5	5-7

Best Players.—West—Jack Bishop, Whitford, Moore, McGregor, Kempster, Bailey. South—Moriarty, Caust, J. W. Daly, Oliver, Vickers, Handby.

Goalkeepers.—West—Whitford (3), McEntee (2), Jack Bishop, Bailey, Moore, McGregor, Manuel. South—J. W. Daly, Caust, Oliver, V. Thomas, Berg.