

Fine Weather and Brilliant Football

TORRENS TOO STRONG FOR SOUTH

System and Pace Bring Success

EIGHT GOALS SCORED IN THIRD TERM

Weakened by the absence of many proved performers, South Adelaide were responsible for a meritorious performance on the Adelaide Oval today. Opposed to the formidable West Torrens eighteen, the southerners made an equal fight of it for three quarters, and even when the superior dash and combination of the blue-and-gold told their tale in the final burst they fought doggedly on. They were beaten but by no means disgraced.

Torrens	2-3	6-9	11-10	14-15
South	3-4	6-5	9-9	10-12

Goalkickers.—Torrens—Mills (3), Marvell, Minear, O'Grady, Adams (each 2), Lock, Karney, and Fleet. South—Ryan (5), R. Caust, C. Daly (each 2), and Scanlon.

THE PLAYERS.

For Torrens Mills was the outstanding figure. He is showing wonderful form, and when he was in the packed South were always up against it. Stationed in the forward lines the Torrens giant was dangerous as ever and managed to score two goals, which, by the way, is becoming a habit with him. Brown, at centre, and O'Malley and Osborne in the half-back lines, were responsible for dashing games, while Daviess was sure and reliable in goal. Several times he saved at half-forward. There was not a really weak performer for Torrens, and Naylor, Adams, Marvell, Fleet, and Karney (who just before the conclusion of the struggle received a heavy blow over the heart and was assisted off the field) all played well.

Scanlon was the best performer for South. All day he did brilliant work, and his effort must enhance his interstate prospects. C. Daly on the opposite wing was little less effective, and A. J. Ryan again proved himself a forward of class. This youth is a prospective carnival player. Kay did really well, and Moriarty, Handby, the Caust brothers, and Organ, in the first half, were all useful performers.

POSITION OF CLUBS.		Points Prem.	
	P. W. L. D.	For	Ag.
Sturt	9 8 1 —	865	543
Torrens	9 7 1 1	761	555
Port	9 6 3 —	716	621
Norwood	9 4 4 1	657	603
South	9 4 5 —	609	677
West	9 3 6 —	585	660
North	9 3 6 —	540	691
Glenelg	8 — 9 —	509	892

Leading Goalkickers

Jackson (Sturt)	31
Owens (Glenelg)	31
Mutton (Norwood)	30
Allingham (Port)	29
Ryan, A. J. (South)	29
Leak (Sturt)	18
Barnes (West)	17
O'Grady (Torrens)	17
Barron (Sturt)	16
Mills (Torrens)	16
Karney (Torrens)	14
Lewis (North)	14
Marvell (Torrens)	14
Scrutton, G. (Sturt)	14

Attendances and Takings

ALBERTON OVAL.	
Norwood v. Port	12,000 £455
ADELAIDE OVAL.	
Torrens v. South	11,500 £428
PROSPECT OVAL.	
North v. West	4,168 £164
UNLEY OVAL	
Glenelg v. Sturt	3,831 £154
Grand Totals	31,499 £1,201

PORT V. NORWOOD

Keen Game Throughout

There was a large attendance at the Alberton Oval where Port Adelaide and Norwood (third and fourth respectively on the premiership list) were engaged. At the previous meeting—on the Norwood Oval—the seiders were victorious.

Port	2-4	5-8	8-13	10-18
Norwood	4-4	4-8	7-9	10-10

Best Players.—Port—Adams, Bampton, Bayley, L. C. and C. Dayman, Ford, McDonald, Hodge. Norwood—Lill, Schumacher, Lee, Hepburn, Stephens, Bent, Whitfield, Townley.

Goalkickers.—Port—C. and L. C. Dayman, Allingham (each 2), Latimer, Bayley, Maddern, Langmead. Norwood—Bent (3), Mutton, Lee (each 2), Hepburn, Wadham, Townley.

NORTH V. WEST

Strenuous Even Play

North	2-5	6-9	9-12	10-14
West	0-5	4-7	6-8	7-11

Goalkickers.—North—Munn (3), Fleet, McDonald, Gun (2), and Ween. West—Barnes (3), Martin (2), Lukeman, and Davis.

Best Players.—North—Conrad, Lewis, Kinnear, Fleet, Ween, Munn, McDonald, and Lock. West—Peters, Barnes, McGregor, Huxtable, Kearns, Kempster, Martin, and Wright.

NEXT SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

West Adelaide v. Norwood (Adelaide).
Sturt v. Port Adelaide (Unley).
West Torrens v. North Adelaide (Thebarton).
Glenelg v. South Adelaide (Glenelg).

STURT V. GLENELG

Poor Kicking for Goal

Owing to several men being unable to play Glenelg had to reorganise their team in the match with Sturt. Barnett took the place of Lloyd on the wing, and Marshall and Clark were included in place of Gotts and Oliver. C. Scrutton decided to have a rest, and Roessler was not required for Sturt.

Hanley, Toms, and Beck did duty in the ruck for Glenelg, at the opening, with Riley, Whitehead, and G. Scrutton representing Sturt.

Riley was given a free soon after the bounce, and S. Scrutton marked his kick and had no difficulty in scoring a goal. Glenelg obtained possession, and Toms had a long shot, but Sturt cleared. Conlon started Glenelg off again, and Owens, marking, obtained full points. Sturt worked the ball forward, but Perry and L. Sallis saved. Riley marked well and stopped Glenelg from scoring. The seiders were playing together well and continued to attack. They scored a single. Leak cleared well and sent on to Barron, who took the ball along the wing. Clark, however, started another Glenelg offensive and forwarded to Beck. Gates kicked a behind. Hoft took a fine mark at centre, and Beck securing at a throw-in, scored Glenelg's second goal. Jackson marked well for Sturt and passed to Donnelly, who raised one flag. Whitehead was given another free close in, but scored a single only. Jackson sent the ball through from a penalty kick, and the scores were even. Donnelly managed a behind with a good long kick. Glenelg worked the ball along the wing. Sturt returned to the attack, but L. Sallis saved. Jackson gained possession from Weller and had no difficulty in raising both flags. Owens scored a behind. S. Scrutton did likewise for Sturt.

Scrambling play in front of goal resulted in Jackson scoring his third goal. Leak obtained another as the bell rang.

QUARTER TIME.

Sturt	5-6
Glenelg	2-3

Sturt were 21 points ahead at the opening of the second quarter. Barnett sent the ball into Glenelg's forward lines. Golding saved brilliantly, but Hoft, who was playing well, sent it back again. Owens raised one flag.

Sturt started off with system and employing long, low passes, brought the ball forward, but Hoft broke away. Hanley marked well from Spry, but a behind only resulted. Riley scored a goal for Sturt. G. Scrutton struck the post. Glenelg went away, Murphy taking a good mark. Hoft was prominent for Glenelg with Richardson and Golding shining occasionally for Sturt.

Owens marked well from Beck, and kicked a nice goal. With the ball at the other end Barron snapped a sixer. The play was even with Sturt faster to the ball. Glenelg were weak on the wing, neither of their regular players being available. G. Scrutton sent up one flag. Barnett passed finely to Beck, who just missed full points. Hoft gained possession and Beck marked brilliantly in front of the sticks. He kicked badly, however, scoring a single only. By good hand-passing Sturt worked the ball forward and G. Scrutton snapped a goal. Owens replied with a behind and followed with another. Playing coolly he obtained from Hoft and kicked a good goal.

HALF-TIME.

Sturt	8-8
Glenelg	4-10

THIRD QUARTER.

Sturts started off briskly at the bounce, and S. Scrutton, from a long way out, brought up one flag. Glenelg sent the ball along the wing, but James saved and forwarded the ball. Spry relieved, but S. Scrutton received and kicked a good goal. L. Sallis saved smartly, and passed to Hoft, but Sturt were too strong, and G. Scrutton added a behind. Whitehead was given a free close in, but hit the post. Hoft dashed along the wing and placed the ball in the forward lines. Sturt, however, again rushed forward, and Leak found the main opening. Donnelly snapped another, and placed Sturt 42 points ahead. Glenelg were getting the ball to the forward lines, but did not seem to be able to score.

Beck managed a single, and with a beautiful kick from out on the wing raised both flags. Sturt obtained the upper hand once more and added a behind. Hoft kicked to Beck, who started Glenelg off again. Sharp, however, stemmed the tide. Hoft and Richardson were having some great tussles, and although his knee was injured the tall Westralian was playing a great game.

S. Scrutton was given an opportunity to score, but only a single resulted. Sturt followed with another. Barron from a place shot made no mistake.

The three-quarter time scores were:—

Sturt	12-14
Glenelg	5-11

At the opening of the last quarter Sturt had a good hold of the game, but Glenelg started off with determination. Owens scored a minor. Whitehead started a double-blue attack. Glenelg saved and worked the ball forward. James and Whitehead for Sturt and Spry and Murphy for the seiders were prominent in the air. Owens had an angle shot which, landing short, was hand-balled through. Sturt continued to press hard. Barron ran through, and with a neat dropkick obtained full points. Perry raised one flag, which was followed by a similar success by Hoft. G. Scrutton also obtained a behind.

Glenelg had lost all chance of winning, but were battling on bravely. Jackson, from a free kick, goaled, and Sturt added another behind. Running in smartly Jackson snapped his fifth goal, but from the bounce Glenelg broke away and Gates kicked a good goal. Owens from a free kicked truly, scoring his fourth major. With the ball at the opposite end Donnelly dashed up to the goals and booted the ball through. Walsh scored a behind as the bell rang with Sturt victors.

FINAL SCORES.

Sturt	16-20
Glenelg	7-16

Goalkickers.—Sturt—Jackson 5, Barron 3, Leak, S. Scrutton, and Donnelly 2. G. Scrutton and Riley. Glenelg—Owens 4, Beck 2, and Gates.

Best Players.—Sturt—Golding, Barron, Jackson, James, Leak, Whitehead, G. and S. Scrutton, and Donnelly. Glenelg—Hoft, Owens, Beck, Murphy, Perry, Spry, and Hine.

COMMENTS ON THE GAMES

Sturt Too Strong

Sturt had the better of the encounter with Glenelg today, principally because they were smarter to the ball and they played infinitely better system. Their long, low dropkicks placed the slower Glenelg players at a disadvantage, and although the seiders battled bravely they found the Unley men too hard a nut to crack.

Glenelg at times played dull over their opponents, but could not sustain the effort.

Sturt were stronger in the air, and were undoubtedly the better team.

The shooting for goal on both sides was deplorable, many easy shots going astray. In all 36 behinds were scored as against 23 goals.

A feature of the game was the meeting of Richardson and Hoft, the two snappers, at centre. In the first half the Western Australian had much the better of his opponent, but in the second half he was at a disadvantage owing to a weak knee. However, he played finely, and still had the better of Richardson in the air. Hoft is a good strategist, and besides marking brilliantly is very fast. On the day he was Richardson's superior.

One of Sturt's best was Barron. He kicked three excellent goals, and roving was always effective. Indeed, all of Sturt's rovers did well. Leak scored two majors and followed particularly well, as did Gordon Scrutton, who piloted one goal.

Jackson managed five six-pointers and marked well throughout. Stan Scrutton and Donnelly also did well in the forward line. Riley was not much in evidence after the first term.

Frank Golding, as usual, was solid in defence, while at times his marking and dashing out were brilliant.

In the ruck Whitehead did best. He played one of his best games.

Apart from Hoft, Beck roving and forward was Glenelg's best. He scored two goals, but should have scored four. He missed two easy chances when right in front.

After a quiet day against West Adelaide last Saturday Owens impressed Sturt supporters today with his goalkicking for Glenelg. He was responsible for four of the seven goals scored. Hine in goal defended well and saved many attacks. He showed good judgment. Murphy marked excellently. He has been playing for B grade lately. Perry exhibited his usual skill. Spry was one of the surest in the air, and he picked up the ball smartly. Conlin, Gates, and L. Sallis also played sterling games.