NORWOOD OVERWHELM TORRENS

Fine Football in Wet Weather

TORRENS FADE AWAY AFTER BRIGHT OPENING

With a weakened eighteen Torrens sustained a crushing defeat at the hands of Norwood today. In the first term the blue-and-golds led off brilliantly, and the contest promised to be well fought to the final bell. Norwood, however, played better and better as the game progressed, and in the second half they absolutely overwhelmed their opponents. Despite adverse conditions the standard of play was good, and a feature of the contest was the extreme vigor infused into it by players of both sides.

NORWOOD	2—2	5—8	9—13	13—16
TORRENS	3—3	3—5	5—6	5—12

Goalkickers.—Norwood—Bent (4), Mutton (3), Palmer (3), Westley, Close, and Hepburn. Torrens—Marvell (2), Broderick, Read, and Karney.

The Players

For Norwood Lill at centre was the star performer in a consistently good eighteen. The tall interstate man marked brilliantly and kicked wonderfully well considering the sodden nature of the ball. Stephens at half-back was instrumental in smothering many blue-and-gold rushes, and White played in quite his old form. Bent was as elusive as an eel in the forward lines, and Mutton was a capable second string in that division. Palmer at half-forward scouted admirably, and Symonds, Ackland, Schumacher, Heinrich, and Scott all played good solid games.

Three men stood out for Torrens. Osborn was one of the best men on the ground, and Broderick and Fleet both played brilliantly. Hine and Ashby were solid and reliable in defence, and Karney and Lock battled hard all day. O'Grady played effectively after half-time and Marvell was responsible for a useful display forward, but many of the wearers of the gold-and-blue were palpably off color. Read was the best of the recruits.

Position of Clubs

	P.	W.	L.	Points. For,	Agn.	Prem. pts.
Norwood	13	10	3	1118	750	20
Port	13	10	3	977	813	20
Sturt	13	8	5	992	804	16
Torrens	13	7	6	997	975	14
West	13	6	7	786	823	12
North	13	5	8	854	903	10
South	13	4	9	828	1048	8
Glenelg	13	2	11	718	1154	4

Leading Goalkickers

A. J. Ryan (South)	53
Logan (Port)	51
Bent (Norwood)	48
K. Jackson (Sturt)	45
Marvel (Torrens)	42
G. Scrutton (Sturt)	41
Munn (North)	29
Owens (Glenelg)	23
C. Dayman (Port)	22
Hepburn (Norwood)	21
Mutton (Norwood)	21
Mills (Torrens)	19
Minear (Torrens)	18
O'Grady (Torrens)	14
Wadham (Norwood)	14
Martin (West)	13
Toms (Glenelg)	13

South v. Glenelg

Owing to the absence of Hoft, Toms, and L. Sallis the Glenelg team which met South on the Adelaide Oval was reorganised. Lloyd, who led the side, occupied the position usually held by Hoft at centre, and Conlin took his place on the wing. Morley, from B Grade, displaced C. Sallis on the other wing, and Sallis was placed half forward. The South team was unaltered, although O'Malley played full back in place of Wainwright, who was brought forward.

At the bounce of the ball the Glenelg players found difficulty in keeping their feet on the slippery turf. This resulted in the southerners breaking through, and A. J. Ryan from half forward booted the ball through the posts. The seasiders held sway for a time, but South began to lead out better, their forwards proving fast and tricky. Ryan was soon given another chance, and he made no mistake. Led by Lloyd, Glenelg made a determined sortie. Sampson and Sexton dashed into the play, but it was left for Gotts to score a single.

Torpy quickly followed up the advantage and passed to C. Sallis, who scored a fine goal. South were making all their attacks through A. J. Ryan, several players ignoring chances to score. It was not long before he scored his and the sides' third goal. The city team continued to attack, and only solid work by Handby and Jackson in defence prevented them from breaking through. Torpy scored a behind for the yellow-and-blacks.

First Quarter Scores

SOUTH	3—3
GLENELG	1—2

Goalkickers in first quarter:—South—A. J. Ryan (3); Glenelg—C. Sallis (1).

Glenelg were quicker to find their feet when play was resumed. During a period of desultory play South held the advantage, but Jackson saved the situation. Each side then attacked in turn but could not score. Hard work by Thomas placed Oliver in possession. With a good kick he brought up both flags. Rain began to fall and the players experienced difficulty in handling the ball and turning on the turf. Lloyd and Torpy were prominent when the seasiders worked the ball into the danger zone. Owens managed a behind. At last W. Hill secured and a long shot placed Glenelg's second goal on the board. Lloyd dashed away from centre, and passed neatly to Sallis who, however, kicked poorly.

Glenelg were having the better of the play, but were failing to make the most of their opportunities.

Half-time

SOUTH	4—4
GLENELG	2—6

On the play of the first half Glenelg should have been level with their opponents. The seasiders set out determinedly to reduce their deficit of 10 points. A behind was rushed, and Glenelg kept up the pressure. C. Sallis sent the ball out to C. Hill on the wing. The latter ran round his mark and sent the ball through. He was forced to have another shot, but the acute angle did not prevent him from goaling.

C. Daly led off for South, but dogged play by Lloyd stopped the attack. Owens raised one flag. The seasiders were fighting grandly, but their shooting for goal was bad, two more behinds being added to the score. The seasiders appeared as if they would score, and at last the southern defence was pierced. Owens marked out on the wing and shot the ball through. South, however, were playing a plucky game, and in a flash C. Ryan had retaliated.

From the bounce Glenelg were galvanised into action, and the ball travelled straight to Owens, who only managed a behind. South were stirred into action, and two singles were scored.

Three Quarter Time

SOUTH	5—7
GLENELG	3—12

The seasiders were seven points to the bad, and South were not taking any chances. Wainwright went up with a bunch in front of goals and came down with the ball. He made no mistake. Handby turned the tide, and Lloyd forwarded. However, the attack fizzled out and play remained on the wing for some time. Wainwright again came into the limelight for South with a fine mark, but a poor kick only realised one point.

In dull light both sides were struggling hard. Rain was falling heavily. Glenelg were making a sustained attack, but Moriarty continually proved a stumbling block. Finally Owens marked and scored his second goal.

South were rewarded at last by A. J. Ryan scoring a major.

Final Scores

SOUTH	7—13
GLENELG	4—12

Goalkickers:—South—A. J. Ryan (4), Oliver, C. Ryan, and Wainwright (each 1). Glenelg—Owens, W. Hill, C. Hill, and C. Sallis (each 1).

Best players:— South—Vickers, C. Daly, A. J. Ryan, Moriarty, Williams, and Oliver. Glenelg—Lloyd, Jackson, Torpy, Handby, Gotts, C. Sallis, and Morley.

Best Players & Goalkickers from 'The Adelaide Chronicle' and 'The Advertiser' at: http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-page8794275

South Adelaide, 7 goals 13 behinds.
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Best players:—South Adelaide—C. Daly, Moriarty, Oliver, A. J. Ryan, Williams, Organ, Berg, and Watts. Glenelg—C. Sallis, Lloyd, Torpy, Jackson, Handley, Exley, W. Hill, and Morley.

NOTES ON THE GAMES

West Press Port Hard

NORTH TOO GOOD FOR STURT

North Win Again

Though the quality of the football at Prospect was not of the highest the match between Sturt and North Adelaide provided an interesting struggle.

Aided by the wind the home team kept the blues on the defensive during the greater part of the first quarter. The superiority of North was most marked in the early part of the term, when they kept the ball entirely in their opponents' territory.

Sturt, however, had the better of the next quarter, when they in their turn had the aid of the wind. When the teams left the ground for the long interval Sturt had a lead of one point.

In the third term the home eighteen again prevailed, so that when the last change occurred the blues had a leeway of 14 points to make up.

The last bout was fairly evenly fought. Each side had nearly the same number of scoring shots, but Sturt secured 3—2 to their opponents' 1—5. The superiority in shooting, however, was not great enough to give the Unley men victory, and North finished with an advantage of five points.

Sturt did not take the field with their full strength. They were without the services of Golding (captain) and R. H. Whitehead (vice-captain), who had sustained injuries, and to add to this misfortune Sharp, who was acting skipper, sustained an injury to an ankle in the second quarter, which practically incapacitated him for the remainder of the match.

Though not opposed by the full strength of Sturt it was evident that North are an improved side. They proved by their play this afternoon that the victory over Torrens was no flash in the pan.

For the winners no player rendered greater service than Morris. This man, with his fine athletic figure, was repeatedly responsible for smashing Sturt attacks in the back lines by fine work both in the air and on the ground.

Munn, as in the match against Torrens, was much in evidence forward, where he bagged four goals by fine marking and straight kicking.

A sound game between the posts was staged by Lewis, who directed his team well.

Others who showed to advantage were Kinnear, Thomas, Townley, Finch, Low (who kicked three goals), Ween, and Dawe.

Beatty rendered yeoman service to the blues. His work was not showy, but was none the less effective.

Forward, Jackson was in fine form. He was responsible for four goals, the result of finished and resourceful work.

G. Scrutton was also a prominent figure in the attacking lines, where he kicked three goals.

Other prominent players were Barron (who roved in capital fashion), Leak, Weller (two goals), Colquhoun, and C. Scrutton.

Glenelg Forwards Weak

As the result of the heavy rain which fell prior to and during the match at the Adelaide Oval this afternoon the game between South and Glenelg was not inspiring. The football was of a scrambling nature and players found much difficulty in handling the ball and turning on the wet turf.

Despite the handicap of the weather there was much good marking, in which department both teams did well. But for poor goal shooting the match would have been more interesting. Glenelg were the chief offenders in this direction their forwards showing lack of initiative. Every time the ball came forward the Glenelg players rushed toward the goal instead of keeping the game open.

The first quarter was entirely in favor of the southerners, who played together better than their opponents. In the second term, however, the seasiders got into their stride and monopolised the play. Poor work forward, however, nullified their efforts and they did not wipe off much of their deficit.

After the long interval the seasiders again held sway and almost drew level. However, a lucky goal by South saw them open the last session with a lead of seven points. The city team finished strongly and in the fading light and steady rain ran out winners by a comfortable margin.

There were no individual stars in the winning side, most of the players doing fairly well. Vickers at centre, was responsible for a good performance, as was A. J. Ryan in the forward lines. In the first quarter his clubmate made every endeavor to help him score goals. He managed three, but thereafter was quiet, until the last quarter, when he brought his tally to four. Moriarty, in his usual position in the half-back line, played a solid game. Though not as strong as usual, he made many useful saves.

He was well supported in defence by Williams, whose kicking, however, could have been better. C. Ryan, on the wing, did well. He was opposed to by Morley, a recruit from B grade, who was having his first outing with Glenelg. Morley made a good impression and should develop into a good wing man.

For Glenelg Lloyd and Jackson shared the honors. Lloyd was stationed at centre, but was continually in the play in all parts of the field. He led many attacks and handled the ball well.

Jackson held up many southern attacks, marking well throughout. With the help of Handby, who made few mistakes, he succeeded in stopping several onslaughts.

Torpy and Gotts roved well, both revelling in their work. C. Sallis, Conlon, and W. and C. Hill were also responsible for good performances.

PORT V. WEST ADELAIDE

Rough, Close Game

Roughness of the play generally prevented good football at Alberton today, when West met Port. The game was fast, but crowding prevented spectacular play.

Fights among spectators were innumerable and the use of lurid language was frequent. A rush toward the umpire, Drummond, in which boys predominated, was blocked by the timely intervention of the police.

Allingham, with the responsibility of leading the team upon him, played a sound game. He saved repeatedly and kicked well. He displayed keen judgment.

Although Port did well in augmenting their score by 17 as against their opponents' seven in the second quarter it was not a true indication of the game.

Credit must be given to the judgment of Dewar in goal. By his timely saves and good kicking the ball was frequently sent out of the danger zone.

B. McGregor from time to time saved West Adelaide. He played a remarkable game, and was undoubtedly the best man on the field.

Simmons showed great pace and kept the Port wingman Hodge quiet during the greater part of the game.

Burton, until he was incapacitated by his fall, was a useful man, and his retirement disorganised West's team work, which had been excellent during the first quarter.

Port v. West

PORT	3—2	5—7	7—10	8—10
WEST	4—3	5—4	7—7	8—9

Goalkickers.—Port—Logan, L. C. Dayman (each 3), Hoffman and Latimer. West—Burton and Anstey (each 2), J. Bishop, W. Bishop, B. McGregor, and Chaplin.

Best Players.—Port—C. Adams, Allingham, Bilsborrow, L. C. Dayman, Dewar, Fitzgerald, Gibaut, Hodge, and McDonald. West—Burton, Bennett, Bishop (2), Chaplin, Lee, McGregor, Martin, and Simmons.

Attendances and Takings

	Attendance	Takings
Norwood Oval— (Norwood v. Torrens) ..	10,000	£400
Alberton Oval— (Port v. West Adelaide)	7,000	270
Prospect Oval— (North Adelaide v. Sturt)	4,561	192
Adelaide Oval— (Glenelg v. South Adelaide)	2,600	75
	24,161	£944

North v. Sturt

NORTH	4—6	5—8	9—10	10—15
STURT	2—0	6—3	7—8	10—10

Goalkickers:—North—Munn (4), Low (3), Kinnear, Ween, Hargreaves. Sturt—Jackson (4), Scrutton (3), Weller (2), McGaffin.

Best players:—North—Lewis, Kinnear, Dawe, Morris, Munn, Furler, Low, and Thomas. Sturt—Beatty, Colquhoun, G. and C. Scrutton, Jackson, Weller, Barron, and Leak.

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