

PORT TRIUMPH OVER STURT

Close Finish to Stubborn Contest

STURT DIE AWAY AND COME AGAIN

It was a game of contrasts at Alberton today. For the first half of the contest Port, as team, played wretchedly. They were fortunate to leave the arena at half-time only one point to the bad. In the third quarter the black-and-whites played brilliant football and added six goals and a behind against four goals. Sturt got two of their majors toward the close of the term, and they, in turn, were fortunate to face a deficit of only 12 points at the beginning of the final burst. Port had overwhelmed them for the greater portion of the quarter.

The final quarter saw the fluctuations of the preceding stages of the match condensed into 25 minutes of strenuous endeavor. Half-way through the term Port had an advantage of 19 points, and just as it appeared as if the game was as good as over Sturt staged a remarkable recovery. With three minutes to play only a goal separated the eighteens. Sturt had one golden opportunity to sweep within scoring distance, but a double-blue player made a mistake, a Port player dashed away with the ball, and the bell rang. It was a thrilling finish to a game which developed from drabness into high class football.

PORT 1-3 4-6 10-7 12-9
STURT 3-4 4-7 8-7 11-9

Goalkickers.—Port—Logan, Maddern, Fitzgerald, and Latimer (each 2), Galliford, C. Dayman, and Hoffman. Sturt—Jackson (5), Cave (2), Leak, C. Whitehead, R. H. Whitehead, and G. Scrutton.

THE PLAYERS

Several players on the Port side were brilliant. L. C. Dayman marked and kicked well, and his brother Clem was also a tower of strength. Fitzgerald, Bilsborow, and Logan were three Port men who even in the first half when most of the team were playing with little direction, always strove to instil system into their work. Dewar was safe in goal, and kicked well, while Bampton and Keal played good solid games.

For Sturt Jackson was the best performer. He is at the top of his form, and his marking and ground play were excellent. He kicked five goals. Bullock marked brilliantly in defence, and Sharp, Beatty, and Golding were hard and effective workers. Almost every time Golding kicked in he placed the ball in a Sturt man's arms. Nau, Leak, and Barron all played brilliantly at times, and the last-named, especially in the first half, delighted by the cool manner when in possession of the ball how he picked out a comrade to pass to.

NORWOOD'S SEVENTH WIN

West Give Good Display

At the Norwood Oval this afternoon a large crowd assembled to witness the second meeting this season between the Norwood team and West Adelaide. In the first encounter between these clubs Norwood won by 17-4 to 5-9, but in view of the improvement of the city men since that time it was anticipated that today's game would be more closely contested.

NORWOOD 4-2 7-7 7-11 9-15
WEST 1-6 2-6 7-7 8-8

Goalkickers.—Norwood—Bent (3), Hepburn (2), Schumacher, Lee, Potts, and Palmer. West—W. K. Burton, Moore (each 2), McGregor, Thomas, Martin, and Chaplin.

Best Players.—Norwood—Scott, Schumacher, Lill, Symonds, Lee, Hepburn, Stephens, Potts, and Bent. West—McGregor, Bishop, Thomas, Huxtable, W. K. Burton, Moore, Shuzz, Chaplin, and Lee.

NORTH IN FORM

27 Point Win Over South

Sixth and seventh on the premiership list respectively, South and North met on the Adelaide Oval this afternoon. There was a moderate attendance. The south eighteen included G. Watts, the former Western Australian, in place of Aistrophe, and O'Brien stripped in place of Parsons. North were strengthened by the return of Low and Hyde, but the absence of Ween affected them somewhat. Umpire J. Quinn had charge of the game.

NORTH 4-7 4-12 7-12 10-16
SOUTH 0-1 0-4 4-8 6-13

Goalkickers.—North—Munn (2), Kinneer, Laffin, Low, Hyde, Thomas, Townley, Hargreaves, Furler. South—A. J. Ryan, C. Ryan (each 2), Martin and Watts (each 1).

Best Players.—North—Townley, Morris, Dawe, Hyde, McDonald, Thomas, Low, Laffin, and Lewis. South—Vickers, Daly, Oliver, Moriarty, Williams, Taylor, Organ, Wainwright, and Martin.

Player Reported

Harrold, of the Glenelg team, was reported today for unnecessarily rough play in the game against Torrens at Thebarton.

Hoft Leads Glenelg

Prior to stripping for the Torrens-Glenelg match at Thebarton J. Handby mounted a seat in the Glenelg dressing room and asked if the men were willing to play under Hoft, their captain, and to adjourn the meeting which they proposed to hold before the game until next week.

It was decided to go out under Hoft. Handby then donned his guernsey.

POSITION OF CLUBS

	Plyd.	W.	L.	Fcr.	Ag.	Pts.	Prem.
Norwood	8	6	2	679	495	12	
Torrens	8	5	3	636	569	10	
Port	8	5	3	597	552	10	
Sturt	8	4	4	645	563	8	
West	8	4	4	479	522	8	
North	8	3	5	527	572	6	
South	8	3	5	528	620	6	
Glenelg	8	2	6	487	685	4	

LEADING GOALKICKERS

Ryan, A. J. (South)	36
Bent, R. (Norwood)	29
Logan (Port)	28
Jackson, K. (Sturt)	27
Scrutton, G. (Sturt)	26
Marvel, A. (Torrens)	25
Dayman, C. (Port)	15
Hepburn (Norwood)	15
Owens (Glenelg)	15
Munn (North)	14
Lee (Norwood)	11
Mills (Torrens)	11
Barnes (West)	10
Martin (West)	10
Minear (Torrens)	10
O'Grady (Torrens)	10
Wadham (Norwood)	10

NOTES ON THE GAMES

GLENELG'S GREAT FIGHT

Spectators enjoyed the game at Thebarton between Torrens and Glenelg. Quite a contrast to the attendances on the previous visits of the seasmiders was the large assemblage of the public. This was due to the fact that patrons of the game were anxious to see whether Glenelg could repeat their success of May 2, when they defeated last year's premiers by eight points.

The tigers were unfortunate today in that they had to play with 17 men after the first half, C. Hill receiving an injury to his collarbone several minutes before the long interval.

At half-time, through a beautiful goal by Toms, who marked as the bell rang, the visitors were one point ahead.

From ball bounce to bell ring the game was strenuous, and despite the heavy going there were many fine pieces of play, both sides showing to advantage in manoeuvres on the wing.

There was little to choose between the teams in the air, and, considering that Glenelg are going through a period of unrest, their concerted action on the field surprised many of their supporters.

Hoft, who had not been selected, led the side, the players agreeing in the dressing room a few minutes before play commenced to take the field under their old leader, and hold over a certain matter that they had intended to discuss before the match until next week.

The game was willing and at times a little too rough. On the whole the football was fairly good. There was a fair percentage of kicking at random, due more to the uncertain footing than to lack of skill.

Ashby played a great game for Torrens. He saved brilliantly in the first couple of minutes and was continually to the fore with solid work and high marking thereafter.

Osborn, as usual, was a big factor in keeping Glenelg down to eight goals. His defence was flawless.

Marvell, ubiquitous forward, augmented his tally by six goals, due to good judgment and solid work. There is no necessity to spoonfeed the Torrens forward.

Brown and Hoft were matched at centre, and both men played first-class games.

Oaten and Karney, the latter particularly in the second half, were dashing players.

Minear was a clever half forward, with neat tricks which baffled his opponents and delighted supporters of the home team.

Naylor, who reappeared after a few weeks' illness, played in top form, and Muller, who was playing his first game in senior football, created a favorable impression.

N. Head and Fleet again showed out satisfactorily, and Daviess was invaluable.

For Glenelg Lloyd (vice-captain) played a grand game on the wing.

W. Hill was a capable defender, and he assisted to stave off many attacks by Torrens.

Handby played with his characteristic dash and energy and strove hard for victory.

Toms, although somewhat erratic in his kicking, was often noted for fine work. Owens, by scoring half the number of his team's goals, showed that he has not lost any of the skill that won for him interstate honors.

VICTORY FOR TORRENS

Glenelg Outclassed

During the last few weeks a number of changes, due to injury, sickness, and disqualification have taken place in the Torrens and Glenelg teams, which met at Thebarton this afternoon. There was a large attendance.

When these teams met on May 2 the seasmiders made history by defeating last year's premiers, thus recording their first win in senior games. The tigers on that occasion kicked 12 goals 6 behinds to 10-10.

Torrens team was as published but Hoft, who had not been selected for Glenelg, was included in the team, and replaced Spry at the last moment. There was some doubt as to whether the players would go out under Hoft, but after Handby had addressed them they decided to accept his leadership for today.

The turf was in fairly good condition. Hoft won the toss, and Glenelg kicked to the southern goal. D. McGlinchey had charge of the game.

Glenelg assumed the offensive, but Ashby saved. Playing vigorously, the tigers dashed forward, and Owens got a behind. Another offensive failed through Harrold being penalised for juggling within kicking distance. With one of their characteristic dashes along the wing Torrens got it well down, and Marvell, who was freed, booted a goal. Another Glenelg onslaught was nullified by Torrens defensive tactics. Good work by Sampson was rewarded with a point.

In the open Torrens predominated, but the tigers displayed plenty of dash and marked the heavy ball well. After Head had hit a tall upright Marvell, from a running shot, scored full points. Owens marked well in front and punted Glenelg's first goal. Neat passing by the seasmiders gave their forwards a chance, but their efforts were smothered. Torrens' wing play again excelled, and Oehme hit a tall post from a good shot.

The game was willing and exciting, and the spectators were enjoying it. In quick time Owens marked a miskick by Ashby, and recorded Glenelg's second major. Marvell got another behind for the local team, and W. Hill got the third goal for the visitors.

Quarter Time

GLENELG 3-4
TORRENS 2-3

Midfield play prevailed for a while in the second term, and then Brown, by good play forwarded. Karney was pulled down in front, but the kick raised only one flag. Concerted attack by Glenelg gave Harrold possession, but a good effort failed. A brilliant dash by Torrens resulted in a behind, which was followed quickly by a goal by Marvell. This equalised the score.

Both sides were playing good football. Toms had a shot, but his kick was erratic. Like a flash the ball shot forward to Torrens' objective, but an angle shot by Minear fell short.

Despite the heavy ball and the slippery turf the play was exhilarating, and kept the spectators in a high pitch of excitement.

Daviess put Torrens ahead with a six-pointer. Bail had a good chance to score, but in his excitement kicked a minor. By superior work in the air and concerted action Glenelg got the leather goalward, but behinds were the only outcome. Toms, marking just on the bell, put up Glenelg's fourth goal from a good kick.

Half Time

GLENELG 4-8
TORRENS 4-7

The scores at half time were an indication of the evenness of the play. Both sides were evenly matched, and both resorted to plenty of flank movement.

C. Hill, who injured a collarbone in the last five minutes of the second term, did not appear after the long interval. Torrens were quick to the attack, and Marvell had two shots a long way out, but the distance was too great. Minear had a shot from an angle, but failed. Eventually Torrens rushed a behind and then Fleet and O'Grady scored a goal and two minors respectively. Resuming their aggressive tactics, Torrens again scored, Marvell and Karney raising the flags in quick succession. Toms had a shot, but kicked poorly. Foolish play by Naylor gave Hoft a chance. By clever work he scored two goals in a brief period.

The game continued to be willing, and the seasmiders were doing well with 17 men.

Three-Quarter Time

TORRENS 9-13
GLENELG 7-9

Torrens were first to score, Marvell getting only one point from an easy shot. There was no relaxation of spirited action by either side. After several fruitless attacks Torrens scored through the agency of Karney.

Owens was successful in the next assault. He scored Glenelg's eighth goal. Although the result was a foregone conclusion the visitors were exhibiting plenty of dash and stamina. In an exciting moment a few yards in front of the goal-mouth Minear kicked the leather off the ground and it went sailing through the uprights.

Brilliant wing play by the Tigers culminated in a behind, a fine kick by Owens being touched in transit. Again Glenelg attacked strongly, but their efforts were smothered. Coming again they rushed a behind. After marking well Marvell secured his sixth goal and his team's twelfth. Both sides finished a gruelling game well.

Final Scores

TORRENS 12-16
GLENELG 8-11

Goalkickers.—Torrens—Marvell (6), Karney (2), Daviess, Fleet, Broderick, and Minear. Glenelg—Owens (4), Hoft (2), W. Hill, Toms.

Best Players.—West Torrens—Ashby, Osborne, Marvell, Brown, Karney, Oaten, Fleet, Naylor, and Daviess. Glenelg—Lloyd, Hoft, Handy, W. Hill, Owens, Toms, Conlon, and Fuss.

Conlon's first appearance for the season was productive of much good and indicates that he will keep in the team. Sampson was another defender whose aerial work frequently earned for him the encomiums of the crowd.

It was difficult at times today to distinguish the number on the guernseys of the Glenelg players.