

STURT ON TOP

Torrens Spring Surprise on Norwood

NORTH ADELAIDE TOO STRONG FOR WEST

Today's round of league matches produced two surprises. Torrens overwhelmed Norwood in the last quarter of a spirited game at Thebarton, and North Adelaide administered a sound trouncing to West Adelaide at Prospect.

Sturt defeated Port comfortably on their own oval, but the task of the double-blues was made easy by faulty work among the seaside forwards. Glenelg had no difficulty in defeating South.

A feature of the games was that in each instance the home team was victorious.

GLENELG V. SOUTH

Although the turf was rather heavy the Bay Oval was in good condition. Mr. F. S. C. Saxby was in charge of the game. The seashiders won the toss and kicked to the railway end, favored by the breeze.

A long shot by Exley resulted in Drew snapping a goal close in. Twice the local men swept goalward, but their forwards were not equal to the occasion. The ball soon became greasy. Lewis and Holmes, and Hoft and Handby were prominent. Drew just failed with a straight kick, but twice Owens was erratic. The centres of both sides were given plenty of work. A. J. Ryan hit a goal post. Owens then came to the rescue of Glenelg with a high mark. He kicked a goal.

Organ played in goal for South in place of P. O'Malley. Sallis, with a long kick down the centre, hit a goal post. Taylor did likewise for South—the third player to do so. Then O'Malley kicked truly for South.

There was little sparkle in the play. The forward work of both sides was poor, although Drew was the exception for Glenelg. Exley was a tower of strength in the ruck.

First Quarter

GLENELG 2-9
SOUTH 1-3

Souths stocks rose on the resumption when A. J. Ryan neatly drop-kicked a goal. In spite of an injured leg Handby defended staunchly and showed speed and marking ability.

On several occasions Glenelg men spoiled each other. Eventually Owens marked brilliantly, but his work was wasted with a foolish pass. A remarkably well-judged mark by Owens culminated in an easy goal.

Undaunted, South replied with a quick goal from the foot of O'Malley. Lloyd was shaping effectively on the wing. The game was characterised by much fumbling. The seashiders seemed greatly below their recent form.

O'Malley, who was playing forward for South, kicked another goal, and the scores were level. However, in a crush Drew picked up the ball and a goal resulted.

Lewis cleared in fine style. A. J. Ryan was the next to goal, and a minute later the two flags were waved through the agency of Martin. Glenelg had many more shots for goal than South, but kicked deplorably.

L. Leverington made amends with a snapshot goal, and his brother Peter emulated his example immediately afterwards.

Second Quarter
GLENELG 6-14
SOUTH 6-5

From the bounce Glenelg moved forward, and Owens kicked a goal. Spurred to greater effort the Bay men continued to press. A long skimming pass by Murphy was marked by Hoft, who crowned a spectacular run with a goal. Owens brought forth cheers by kicking two more goals in quick succession, and four goals had been added by Glenelg in five minutes. It was a remarkable sequence of inspiring flashes, in which South were left standing.

Yet another major—from an acute angle—came from Owens, and the local men were more than six goals in front.

With a clever shot L. Leverington hoisted the sixth goal for the quarter.

O'Malley, for South, sent the ball between the sticks, and then Owens, with almost uncanny judgment, scored his fifth goal for the term and his seventh for the match. It was Glenelg here, there, and everywhere.

Three-Quarter Time

GLENELG 14-16
SOUTH 8-6

Not disheartened, South attacked, but only a point came. Then from a difficult attempt Owens just failed to raise the two flags, but his kick culminated in a goal by P. Leverington.

More system was shown than in the first half, and the play of Glenelg was a revelation. South rallied momentarily, but could not clinch their efforts with material success. A greater contrast could not be imagined than the forward work of Glenelg in the first half compared with their offensives in the second half.

By way of a change O'Malley (South) kicked his fifth goal. It was a coincidence that the "unlucky" 13 was worn by O'Malley (five goals) and Owens (seven goals). A. J. Ryan, with a pretty shot, kicked his third goal.

Play was now even. Oliver added another major for the city eighteen. Martin put another on the board, and Matters looked slightly better for South.

Final Scores

GLENELG 16-16
SOUTH 12-13

Goalkickers:—Glenelg—Owens (7), Drew L. Leverington, and P. Leverington (each 2), Hoft, L. Sallis, and Davies. South—O'Malley (5), A. J. Ryan (3), Martin (2), V. Thomas, and Oliver.

Best Players:—Glenelg—Owens, Exley, Drew, L. Sallis, Handby, Lloyd, and Murphy. South—O'Malley, Lewis, A. J. Ryan, Martin, Holmes, and Setterberg.

TORRENS V. NORWOOD

TORRENS 1-1 6-8 8-8 16-14
NORWOOD 3-0 5-0 10-6 10-8

Best players:—Torrens—Foote, Hine, Hocking, Conroy, Broderick, Marvell, Karney, Minear. Norwood—Scott, Lill, Bent, Symonds, Gleeson, Palmer, and Simmons.

Goalkickers:—Torrens—Foote (7), Marvell and Minear (each 3), Kempster, Ashby, and Broderick. Norwood—Bent (6), Mutton (2), Wadham, and Daly.

NORTH V. WEST

NORTH 4-7 5-8 8-14 10-10
WEST 0-2 2-4 3-5 6-15

Goalkickers:—North—Lewis and Fleet (each 2), Townley, Thomas, Munn, Furler, McDowall, and Leahy. West—McGregor (2), Stokes, W. Bishop, and Thomas.

Best players:—North—Conrad, Hyde, Lewis, Thomas, Furler, Dillway, Leahy, and Hawke. West—McGregor, J. Bishop, M. Jarvis, Chaplin, and Scanlon.

Position of Clubs

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for agst.	pts.	Points Prem.
Sturt	11	7	4	—	826	678	14
Port	11	7	4	—	744	671	14
Norwood	11	7	4	—	819	751	14
North	11	7	4	—	737	706	14
West	11	6	5	—	780	719	12
Torrens	11	5	5	1	810	664	11
Glenelg	11	4	7	—	681	868	8
South	11	—	10	1	722	1,062	1

LEADING GOALKICKERS

Owens (Glenelg)	49
Ryan (South)	41
Bent (Norwood)	41
Fleet (North)	34
Marvell (Torrens)	29
Logan (Port)	28
McGregor (West)	23
Smith (Sturt)	22
Scrutton (Sturt)	22
Troughton (Torrens)	19
Conole (Port)	18
Sallis (Glenelg)	14
McDowall (North)	13
Minear (Torrens)	13
Mutton (Norwood)	13
Whitehead, C. (Sturt)	13
Daly (Norwood)	12
Moore (West)	12
Schneider (Norwood)	12

COMMENTS ON THE PLAY

GLENELG AGAIN VICTORIOUS

Effective Forward Play

In the contest between South and Glenelg the latter after an inauspicious start, the outcome of deplorably kicking in the forward lines, eventually piled up a huge score. In the third quarter the seashiders by remarkable play, in which the chief factor was Owens, added eight goals to their tally against two goals.

In the early stages of the match fumbling was frequent, but system and cohesion were more in evidence thereafter. South fought a plucky uphill game in the last term when they sent up 4-7 in reply to the two goals of Glenelg.

Owens gave a brilliant exhibition of marking, kicking and leading out, and scored seven goals. He was especially effective in the third quarter, when he scored five times.

Exley played a rattling game in the ruck, and Drew was a tricky and hard-working rover.

L. Sallis, who is usually a defender, was promising at centre half-forward. Handby did fine work despite an injured leg. He is a great battler.

Murphy, Lloyd, and the two Leveringtons were the best of the others.

O'Malley in a new role surprised South supporters with the manner in which he scored five goals. His customary place as custodian was taken by Organ.

A. J. Ryan was quieter than usual, but was responsible for three neat goals.

Lewis was fair in defence, and Holmes, Setterberg, and Martin were frequently serviceable in their respective positions.

Few of the city men showed outstanding merit, although in the second and last quarters they held their own with the seashiders.

STURT V. PORT

STURT 1-1 6-7 7-7 8-10
PORT 3-6 6-7 5-10 5-10

Goalkickers:—Sturt—Bauer (3), C. Whitehead (2), Martin, Smith, and G. Scrutton. Port—Temby, Logan, Coldwell, Hoffman, and Maddern.

Best players:—Sturt—Golding, Cave, C. Whitehead, Richardson, C. Scrutton, Bauer, and Hutton. Port—Bampton, Keal, Utting, Coffen, Dewar, Hodge, and Temby.

RICHARDSON WINS TROPHY

Mr. George Thomas, a supporter of Sturt, presented a trophy for the best player in the Sturt eighteen in today's contest at Unley. V. Y. Richardson was adjudged the winner.