

# PORT NARROWLY DEFEAT NORWOOD

## South Spring Surprise on Torrens

### GLENELG DO WELL AGAINST NORTH

In three of the four league games today thrilling finishes were seen. At Norwood, the home side, battling with seventeen men in the last quarter, just failed by two points to overtake Port, while on the Adelaide Oval Torrens and South fought a desperate draw.

Glenelg showed distinct signs of improvement by closely pressing North on their own oval, and Sturt easily accounted for West Adelaide at Unley.

#### POSITION OF CLUBS

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Sturt	5	4	1	—	417	291	8
North	5	4	1	—	338	320	8
Torrens	5	3	1	1	380	238	7
Norwood	5	3	2	—	363	322	6
Port	5	3	2	—	355	327	6
West	5	2	3	—	297	300	4
South	5	—	4	1	301	454	1
Glenelg	5	—	5	—	243	442	—

#### Leading Goalkickers

Ryan, A. J. (South)	22
Bent (Norwood)	21
Fleet (North)	16
Owens (Glenelg)	16
Smith (Sturt)	13
Marvel (Torrens)	12
Conole (Port)	11
Logan (Port)	10
McGregor (West)	10
Fitzgerald (Port)	9
Schneider (Norwood)	9

# COMMENTS ON THE GAMES

## Glenelg Show Improved Form

### WEST ADELAIDE SLIPPING BACK

#### NORWOOD DIE HARD

##### Great Red-and-Blue Finish

Though Port Adelaide played better football for three quarters than did Norwood today, the eastern team by a smashing last quarter nearly turned defeat into victory. The redlegs, though defeated, deserve credit for a gallant effort.

Conole (Port) is undoubtedly a champion forward in the making. He marked wonderfully, and though on occasion his kicking was inclined to be careless, his performance was a great one.

Allingham was neat, dashing, and effective at centre. In the first half especially he was one of the best workers for the seaside team.

Bampton played his usual sound game in defence. He marked and kicked well, and hardly made a mistake. He was the best of the defenders.

Hodge on the wing was brilliant, and had much to do with the victory of his side, one dash of his in the last quarter enabling Port to tighten up their demoralized forward division.

There were few weak links in Port, and Mucklow, Dewar, Coldwell, Johnson, Keal, Galliford, Coffen, and Hoffman all played solidly.

For Norwood, Wadham was perhaps the best, though he was closely pressed by Stephens.

Bent was always dangerous up forward, and in the last quarter he heartened the side by goaling at a critical stage.

Symonds, Daly, and Simmons played brilliantly on the wing at times, and Daly, transferred forward because of a leg injury, kicked a nice goal in the last term.

Schumacher and Johnson were responsible for fair performances, while Ackland, after performing well in goal for three quarters, showed surprising acclivity when given a roving commission in the final burst. Scott had an off day.

#### TORRENS V. SOUTH

##### Exciting Drawn Game

Spectators were treated to an exciting finish in the game on the Adelaide Oval between South and Torrens.

During the last few minutes of play the fortunes of the game fluctuated to an extent which roused to enthusiasm the supporters of both sides.

Owing to the slippery ground it was not a spectacular game. Players fumbled frequently and many times the promise of a neat series of exchanges was broken through this fault. Torrens were unable to get properly into their swing. Their forwards lacked their usual cohesion, and on a number of occasions finicky play was the cause of attacks collapsing.

South held their own in the ruck, Sprigg doing effective work in that department, particularly in the knock-out.

Jackson was solid in defence, and he seldom erred. C. Ryan played a fine game, coming into the limelight continually.

Oliver and Organ were an inspiration to their side, which stuck tenaciously to their hard task.

A. J. Ryan scored three goals, but he has not fully recovered from the effects of a jarred heel. Herde, on the wing, was a live wire.

Ashby again came to the fore for Torrens, marking, clearing, and following in his best style. Brown and Karney were great battlers, and E. Oaten, on the wing, was conspicuous whenever the ball came his way.

Oehme was a solid figure in the back lines and was responsible for great work in the first half. Osborn has come back to his best form as centre half-back, and he took some clever marks. Read, in the half-forward lines, used his marking and kicking abilities to advantage, and Adams played with dash at half-back.

#### NORTH V. GLENELG

##### Seasiders Improve

Though the first quarter of the match at Glenelg belonged to North, Glenelg gave the red-and-whites a hard battle for the rest of the game. Only eight points separated the teams at the conclusion.

Of system there were few flashes. Individually many of the players put up fine performances. Coprad of North, and Owens of Glenelg standing out as the best players.

The rain which fell turned the game into a series of scrambles. Faulty kicking characterised the play of both sides, Glenelg offending more than North in this respect. There was also too much crowding of the ball. At one stage North's forward line was almost deserted.

Conrad in defence for North saved repeatedly, his marking being clean and his no equal on the field. Fleet, the goal-sneak, secured ably, and played a good kicking accurate. As a highflyer he had game.

P. Lewis, at centre, put up his usual good game, and as goalkeeper in the last quarter he held up many opposition attacks.

R. Townley, in ruck, was solid, and he constantly fed the forwards.

F. Manuel was responsible for some fine marking. Moyle also shone in this department. Thomas, who roved, was prominent and put in with vigor.

Owens, who kicked six goals, was Glenelg's champion. He was cool and collected and always earned the majors he secured.

W. Hill at back broke many northern attacks. His marking was a feature. Handy, the seasiders' skipper, was difficult to pass at half-back, his determined marking and clearing frequently saving his side. He was ably assisted by L. Leverington.

J. Davies made a favorable impression, and C. Drew and Lloyd were often under notice.

## TO MEET VICTORIA

### STATE TEAM CHOSEN

	Golding (St.)	Osborn (W.T.)
Chaplin (W.A.)	Scott (N.)	Conrad (N.A.)
Handy (G.)	Lill (N.)	Scrutton (St.)
Mucklow (P.A.)	McGregor (W.A.)	Riley (St.)
Ryan (S.A.)	Hoffman (P.A.)	Bent (N.)
		Karney (W.T.)

First Ruck.—Moyle (N.A.), Lock (W.T.), Barron (St.), Second Ruck.—Riley, Hoffman, Karney. Reserves.—Keal (P.A.), Oliver (S.A.).

Frank Golding of Sturt, has been chosen to lead the eighteen, and W. Scott, of Norwood, will act as vice-captain.

## GLENELG V. NORTH

At Glenelg Oval North met Glenelg. The ground was in fair condition. A strong wind blew down the ground from the northern end. The red-and-whites were weakened by the absence of Furler, Ween, Lock, Dillaway, and Hyde. Graham and Tobin (reserves) were called on to play. There was no change in the Glenelg team. Mr. O. Rohrig had charge of the game.

North players wore black armbands out of respect to Ween, whose mother died on Thursday. North won the toss and kicked with the breeze. Munn, who played forward last week, went into goal, and Fleet was goalsneak. Glenelg got away first, but were quickly turned back, and North scored three points in quick succession.

A determined thrust by Glenelg gave only a point. From a scrimmage Lewis dashed out and scored the first goal for North. The red-and-whites again attacked, and Townley, taking a mark in front of the goal, raised both flags easily. So far North had had the best of the game. Their dash and aerial work frustrated the efforts of the seaside men. Faulty kicking marred the Glenelg play.

After an unsuccessful attack by Glenelg the ball was sent back, and Thomas, with a fine run down the centre, passed to Manuel, who kicked a goal. Townley Conrad, and Thomas each scored a goal for North.

A run by Lloyd gave Glenelg a chance, but the ball went back to the Glenelg end and Townley with a long kick scored the seventh goal for North.

Glenelg took a hand and scored two points. The ball hit the post in the third try-for goal.

#### First Quarter

NORTH	7-4
GLENELG	0-0

Attacks by North were turned back. There was little system, and the game became a scramble.

W. Hill secured and kicked the first goal for Glenelg, and after some see-sawing play Owens kicked a goal from a difficult angle. Conrad, of North, was playing a sterling game, his marking evoking frequent applause.

Glenelg efforts were continually nullified by faulty kicking, but eventually Owens took a mark from Sallis, and found the goal. North dashed away and scored a point, their only score for the quarter. Thomas put the ball near the sticks, but L. Leverington and Hill, of Glenelg, stemmed the attack.

#### Half Time

NORTH	7-5
GLENELG	3-7

Rain fell at the beginning of the third quarter. North were first away, and Fleet from easy range raised both flags. Then Townley tried a snap, but kicked out of bounds, and Manuel followed with a point. A Glenelg attack was thwarted and then a series of pretty passes gave Fleet a chance, but he kicked into his man on his mark. A kick out of the scrum gave North another point. An onward rush by the seasiders was irresistible, but Bail from an easy chance failed to score. Another rush, however, gave Owens a snap, and the maximum was scored. Yet another dangerous rally was broken by Conrad.

For the first time during the day some system was infused into the game and Glenelg at this stage were having the best of it.

The ball was transferred to the red-and-white forward line, but the determined defence of W. Hill and Perry held the northern attack.

Heavy rain fell and the ball became slippery and hard to hold. Conrad again frustrated the seasiders but C. Drew kicking from the wing gave Owens a chance, which was turned to the fullest advantage. The ball was rushed among the Glenelg defenders, and Fleet, picking the ball up, had no difficulty in putting it through.

#### Three-Quarter Time

NORTH	9-13
GLENELG	5-9

Heavy rain was still falling, and the lights were bad when the final quarter opened. Play was more or less desultory, with Glenelg doing most of the attacking. Players left their position, and crowded the ball. Barbary essayed a long punt, and Davies shepherding Lewis from the sphere, the ball went through. Gates in the forward line helped Glenelg, and then W. Hill, taking a fine mark, raised one flag. Lewis went back to goal, and repeatedly saved. Glenelg crowded on another point, and Lewis kicking out for North gave Owens a free. Some rough play followed, with men strewn all over the field. There were only six men past the centre line, and the ball had been confined to the northern defences for practically the whole of the quarter. Eventually Owens punted, and found the central opening.

A North breakaway was spoilt by a free for holding the man, and the ball went down to Owens, who goaled again. Another snap only produced a point, Glenelg were threatening to overwhelm North when the ball came to the assistance of the northerners.

#### Final Scores

NORTH	9-14
GLENELG	8-12

Goalkickers.—North—Townley (3), Fleet (2), Lewis, Manuel, Conrad, and Thomas. Glenelg—Owens (6), W. Hill, and Barbary.

Best Players.—North—Lewis, Townley, Fleet, Conrad, Manuel, Moyle, and Thomas. Glenelg—Handby, L. Sallis, C. Drew, L. Leverington, Owens, Davies, W. Hill, and Lloyd.

## NORWOOD V. PORT

PORT	4-9	5-10	7-16	8-18
NORWOOD	4-4	4-5	9-10	

Goalkickers.—Port—Conole (3), Coldwell (2), Galliford (2), Fitzgerald. Norwood—Daly (3), Bent (3), Wadham (2), and Schumacher.

Best players.—Port—Conole, Allingham, Mucklow, Johnson, Coldwell, Hodge, Keal, Bampton, and Galliford. Norwood—Wadham, Symonds, Stephens, Bent, Ackland, Simmons, and Daly.

## STURT V. WEST

STURT	4-5	5-9	7-15	10-17
WEST	2-2	2-3	3-5	5-7

Goalkickers.—Sturt—Bauer and Wadham (each 3), Barron (2), G. Scrutton and Spry. West—McGregor, Stokes, Mason, Jarvis, and Bishop.

Best Players.—Sturt—Golding, Wadham, Bauer, Riley, and Cave. West—McGregor, Moore, Stokes, Chaplin, Scanlon, and Lee.

## TORRENS V. SOUTH

SOUTH	3-6	3-10	7-13	9-14
TORRENS	2-4	5-8	6-11	9-14

Best players.—South—C. Ryan, Oliver, Herde, Organ, Jackson, Sprigg, Downs, Torrens—Ashby, Osborn, Oehme, Oaten, Brown Karney, Read.

Goalkickers.—South—A. J. Ryan (3), Sprigg (2), Gooden, Downs, Organ, Oliver. Torrens—Read (3), Troughton, and Marvel (each 2), Keau and Kempster.

#### STURT IN FORM

##### West Easily Beaten

Sturt were too strong for West this afternoon, though the red-and-blacks gave a good exhibition of football, and at one period appeared to have a chance of holding the double-blues. Their forward line, however, was the weak link in their system, and time and again opportunities to score were lost.

Sturt, on the other hand, were well served by the attacking division, while in aerial work the home team were more at ease than their opponents.

Spectators kept a watchful eye on West to see how the recent dissensions would affect their play. Bruce McGregor, the new captain of the red-and-blacks, handled his team well, and the display given should not in any way dishearten supporters.

Conditions could not have been worse for football. When play began a stiff breeze was blowing at an angle toward the southern goal, and later in the afternoon heavy rain fell. The players were drenched before the final bell rang. Failing light also militated against a good exhibition in the closing stages of the last term.

Both teams were at fault with their kicking for goal, but the treacherous wind was mainly responsible for this. It was almost impossible to kick with any degree of accuracy, the ball sailing anywhere the wind willed.

Golding was sure and effective as goalkeeper, and during the afternoon he took several brilliant marks.

Bauer's work on the forward line was admirable. Three goals came his way.

Wadham was another useful player in the attacking brigade. Though he disappointed with several of his kicks for goal he bagged three majors.

Others who gave a good exhibition for the home team were V. Richardson, Martin, Cave, Barron, G. Scrutton, Spry, and Weller.

McGregor was one of the mainstays, and he performed brilliantly at centre. His marking was hardly up to the usual standard, but unfavorable weather conditions were no doubt responsible.

Scanlon gave a good exhibition, and with Chaplin held up many of Sturt's attacks.

Jarvis, Lee, Bishop, Burton, and Whitford were also useful.

#### Attendances and Takings

	Attendances	Takings
Norwood Oval (Norwood v. Port)	12,000	£475
Adelaide Oval (South v. Torrens)	9,000	£353
Unley Oval (Sturt v. West)	7,000	£266
Glenelg Oval (Glenelg v. North)	2,400	£98
Total	30,400	£1,192