

Port, West, North, and Norwood Almost Certain to be Final Four

WEST CONQUER PORT

MAY YET BATTLE THROUGH TO MINOR HONORS

Form Today Not Inspiring

(BY O. J. O'GRADY)

Although West defeated Port by 15 points at Wayville today, the red-and-blacks did not give an inspiring display. In fact, had it not been for the magnificent game of Snell at centre, the result may have been different.

To make certain of the minor premiership Port must defeat Sturt at Unley and North at Alberton. On their form today both games appear open, and it is possible that West may yet gain this honor.

WEST 5-3 6-6 8-7 12-11
PORT 2-3 4-5 8-7 10-8

Goalkickers.—West—Bennetts (4), McGregor, Bishop, and Payne (each 2), Williams, and Whitford. Port—Dayman and Quinn (each 2), Keal and Coldwell (each 2).

Best Players.—West—Snell (best on ground), Stokes, Oliver, Solomon, Simons, Lee, McGregor, and Bennetts. Port—R. Johnson, Dayman, Mott, Conole, Quinn, and Keal.

POSITION OF CLUBS

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points for.	Prem. agst.	Pts.
Port	15	12	3	—	1272	1149	24
West	15	11	4	—	1401	1068	22
North	15	9	5	1	1239	1145	19
Norwood	15	8	7	—	1096	1092	16
Torrens	15	6	8	1	1006	1061	13
Sturt	15	6	8	1	1172	1266	13
Glenelg	15	4	11	—	1208	1342	8
South	15	2	12	1	1082	1353	5

TORRENS CHECKED

Glenelg Sustain Winning Run

MILLS INJURED

Although victory meant much to them, Torrens could not subdue Glenelg, whom they played at Thebarton. The Bay men gave a repetition of the fine form shown in recent games, and, finishing strongly, defeated Torrens with something in hand.

The game was not spectacular, but that was compensated for to some extent by the willingness with which players went into the fray.

Glenelg won on their merits, although Torrens were unfortunate in having Mills so badly injured in the second term that he was of little use thereafter.

Black armbands were worn by players of both sides as marks of respect, relatives of Gates (Glenelg) and T. Abern (a Torrens trainer) having died.

When J. Karney (captain of Torrens) won the toss he appeared to have gained an advantage, as a strong breeze blew to the northern end. Torrens kicked that way, but their first quarter showing was not impressive.

Recording a couple of behinds early in the game, they started promisingly, but Glenelg presented a capable defence, and the Thebarton men were kept in check.

Glenelg registered first goal. Through the agency of Lloyd, who exerted a strong influence on the game throughout, Leverington was enabled to score.

Lock soon after scored a major for Torrens. Then McCarthy hit a post with a shot, which was affected by the wind.

Torrens appeared to be hampered almost as much as their opponents, because the breeze blew in a disconcerting way across the goals. There was frequent kicking out of bounds, and to add to the poor standard of the game, players often mishandled the ball.

Mandy Lead

Torrens scored several behinds before a nice burst of play late in the quarter, in which Fleet and Geue, each recorded majors, gave them a handy lead when the first change-over came.

With the wind in their favor, Glenelg started off spiritedly in the second term, and within a few minutes goals had come from Rosewarne and Hack. Between these two sifers Torrens had made an attack, during which Mills was hurt, and carried from the field.

Marking in better fashion, and generally playing with more dash and determination, Glenelg took charge. A goal from Owens gave them the lead. Singles for Torrens from Karney and McCarthy made the tallies even, but Glenelg were still in the ascendant.

Goals from Hack, who marked finely, and Rosewarne gave Glenelg a deserved lead of 12 points at half-time. Torrens scored three points for the term to 5-1 by Glenelg.

Brisk play marked the opening of the third term, for Torrens were eager to regain the lead. A couple of behinds, followed by a fine goal from Bertram, heartened them. At this stage Bail was sent to the ground, and the game was held up for a few minutes. Bail regained his feet but collapsed.

Roughness had crept into the game. For some time the battle was tense and scrambling.

At length Torrens broke through with a goal from Phillips, who had been changed from a wing to roving. Another major from Geue made the position of Torrens more reassuring. Glenelg did not score for the quarter.

Seaside Attack

Holding a lead of 10 points Torrens opened the final term with confidence, but they had their backs to the wall when Winkler and Rosewarne goaled for Glenelg in rapid succession.

The Bay men were making a determined bid for victory, and it was obvious that they would be difficult to defeat.

Torrens made several attempts to add to their tally but Glenelg met them solidly.

At last the ball was carried within shooting distance, and Mills, left unguarded before the sticks, secured and punted the ball through. Torrens had a lead of three points, and with only a few minutes to go the position was interesting. Then Rosewarne goaled twice for Glenelg.

Attacking strongly the "tigers" were too good for the Thebarton men. Winkler, with a major, increased the Torrens deficit to 14 points.

A desperate attempt to pull the game out of the fire saw Holton hit a post for Torrens. In the last few minutes the game was again held up when Owens was brought to the ground following a tussle.

Scores:—

GLENELG 1-3 6-4 6-4 11-8
TORRENS 3-7 3-10 6-14 7-15

Goalkickers.—Glenelg—Rosewarne (5), Hack and Winkler (each 2), Leverington, and Owens. Torrens—Geue (2), Lock, Fleet, Bertram, Phillips, Mills.

Best Players.—Glenelg—Lloyd, Hack, Johnstone, Rosewarne, Sallis, Handby, Owens, and Drew. Torrens—Read, Hocking, Conroy, Bertram, Broderick, Lock, Osborn, and Geue.

POSITION CLINCHED

Timely Win for North

NORWOOD BATTLE GAMELY

For three quarters at Adelaide Oval today North were easily superior to Norwood, but in the last term the red-legs staged a fine rally, which brought them 5-3 against 1-4 by North. Final scores were:—North, 14-17; Norwood, 12-11.

The victory assured the red-and-whites of a place in the final four.

NORTH 6-4 10-8 13-13 14-17
NORWOOD 3-3 6-6 7-8 12-11

Goalkickers.—North—Tucker and H. Hawke (each 4), Williams and Townley (each 2), McDowall, and Thomas. Norwood—Potts and Heffernan (each 3), Scroell, Eric Johnson, and Krome (each 2).

Best Players.—North—Thomas, McDowall, Ween, Ramsay, Tucker, H. Hawke and B. Hawke, Morris, Taylor, and Townley. Norwood—Lill, Scroell, Biddell, Potts, Pike, Geary, Krome, Siggins, and Wadham.

STURT TRIUMPH

Poor Spectacle at Unley

SOUTH FORWARDS ASTRAY

Before a small attendance Sturt achieved a 13-point victory at the expense of South at Unley Oval. Play roused little enthusiasm, lack of cohesion on the part of both teams and constant scrimmaging marring the game as a spectacle.

Had the South attacking division displayed more initiative the double-blues would have found the city team a more difficult proposition. Badly directed kicking enabled Sturt defenders to clear repeatedly.

STURT 3-5 7-8 10-16 11-21
SOUTH 1-2 5-7 9-10 10-14

Goalkickers.—Sturt—Bauer (4), Barron (3), Bateman (2), C. L. Whitehead and Stuart. South—Oliver (3), Herde, Tabe, Robertson, Tully, Margitich, Gardiner, and Griffon.

Best Players.—Sturt—Martin, Barron, R. H. and C. L. Whitehead, Bauer, Smith, and James. South—Robertson, Oliver, MacKay, Tully, Guthrie, Jackson, and Herde.

NOTES ON THE GAMES

EFFECTIVE SMALL MEN

Help Northerners To Win

North played excellent football at times in defeating Norwood by 18 points at Adelaide Oval today. Both teams marked well. A feature of North was effective footpassing. It was a vigorous contest, free from undue roughness.

There was not a weak performer in the ranks of North. Every man did his share. No one was more effective than the four small men, Thomas, McDowall, B. Hawke, and Ween. The two firstnamed dodged and kicked well as rovers, and the other two had the better of their immediate opponents on the wings. Each was skilful in his ground play.

The duel between Morris and Lill at centre was watched with keen interest. Both did a great amount of work, and honors were about even. Morris is improving in his dropkicking.

All the Prospect defenders rendered sterling service, Ramsay and Taylor being best. Lewis was dashing in goal. In attack H. Hawke and Tucker were an alert pair, kicking four goals each.

Hawke flies well in the crushes and Tucker possesses a neat style and clever anticipation. Townley revealed marked improvement and played a fair game.

For Norwood, Lill was a tower of strength. Scroell was promising at half-forward. Krome and Biddell also shone at times on this line. Potts was always a battler, and three goals came from him.

Scott was missed at half-back, particularly as E. G. Johnson, who was placed there, was compelled to go forward owing to an injured ankle.

Geary and Gleeson were reliable in defence, and Siggins played an excellent first half on the half-back line. Pike, who was included at the last minute, was promising, and Wadham showed form at times. Heffernan justified his inclusion by three goals.

DESERVED SUCCESS

"Tigers" Generally Superior

Supporters of Glenelg were delighted with the showing of their team against Torrens today. The seasideers played good football, and there is no doubt about the merits of their victory. In most departments of the game they were superior to Torrens.

Lloyd was the outstanding player on the field. Three Torrens men were tried to combat his effectiveness, but he outclassed each one. Phillips, Fleet, and Bastian were his opponents, in that order. Johnston showed that his selection in the interstate team was fully justified. He brought down some brilliant marks and played with vigor. Another fine serial artist was Hack, who was solid in attack.

Rosewarne displayed agility and cleverness in attack, and his five goals were the reward of good play. Drew and C. Hill were a pair of good players.

Sallis at centre was often under notice, and Handby, although not so brilliant as usual, was one of the best defenders. Owens marked well, but recorded only one goal.

Read was best man for Torrens. His vigorous style at half-back often smashed attacks in decisive fashion. In addition he brought down many good marks. Conroy showed improved form, and Osborn was also under notice.

Broderick at centre was not as conspicuous as in recent games, but he was useful. Bertram and Geue at half-forward battled hard for their side. Other members of the forward division gave them little assistance.

Hocking was again in form in the air. He came through in nice style, often starting drives. Lock was solid and forceful in defence.

ABSENCE OF COHESION

South Lose by 13 Points

W. Martin was one of the most solid performers for Sturt. He marked consistently and was always in the picture.

N. Barron roved tirelessly and handled the ball cleverly in the scrimmages. His three goals were the result of good play. Although defeated by A. J. Ryan at

centre, V. Bateman did particularly well when stationed at half-forward. He was a welcome addition to the strength of the double-blue attack.

H. Bauer was the most successful goalkicker, four full-pointers coming from his boot. With a little more accuracy he should develop into a valuable goalsneak.

J. Faulds, a recruit from the association team, showed promise, and is worthy of further trial.

R. H. Whitehead was in his element in the many scrimmages, and was seen to advantage throughout the match. C. Whitehead also gave a sound display.

A. G. Smith and C. James defended well, the former being particularly prominent in the last quarter. R. Stuart, when in goal and at forward, marked well and handled the ball with skill.

A. J. Robertson was a sound performer for South, and when rucking or placed was one of the most effective players for the team.

W. H. Guthrie gave his usual reliable display in goal. He used excellent judgment when leaving the sticks, and marked safely.

F. Tully was in great form when roving. In a place he was one of the most useful men in the forward division.

A. J. Ryan opened brilliantly, but in the latter stages of the game was unusually quiet.

W. J. Mackay was prominent on a wing, and useful work was done by W. G. Oliver, W. T. Tabe, and F. J. Herde.

BEST ON GROUND

Snell Shines at Wayville

(By O. J. O'Grady)

Snell was easily the best man on the ground at Wayville today. From start to finish he was always in the picture, his marking being well judged and his ground play almost uncanny. He had too much brilliance and skill for his opponent, K. Johnson, who was by no means disgraced in being outclassed by such a master footballer.

Stokes, at right half-back, was of great service to his side, his marking being fine. Oliver, as goal custodian, played the best game I have witnessed from him. He came out a long way, with judgment and dash, and generally was much too good for Galliford, the opposing goalsneak.

Soloman, at centre wing, was better than Hodge, who had a quiet day. Simons, a newcomer to the side, rucked and defended in promising style.

Lee, at left half-back, showed that he is still capable of playing an effective game. McGregor was moderate. He is not in his best form, and appears to be trained too finely. Possibly if he took things easier in his exacting task of coaching the team his play might once again be fully worthy of his merits.

Bennetts obtained four goals. His pace and ground ability enable him to secure the ball, but he does not seem able to work into good positions when in possession, with the result that his shots are usually from difficult places.

Bishop and Williams, two midget rovers, are live wires. They gamely dash into the thickest frays. Payne and Schoff, two interstate players, had a comparatively quiet day. Of the others Batt and Shea did fairly well.

The chief point about Port players was their evenness. Perhaps R. Johnson at centre half-back was best. For a junior he is doing well in this responsible position, and with experience should eventually find his way into the State eighteen.

Dayman scored three goals, and his marking was reminiscent of his best form. Mott, especially in the second term, defended stubbornly. He appears cumbersome and slow, but his long stride covers the ground well. Conole, on a half-back flank, played well.

Keal, at half-forward, showed a return to form. He is an adept at disposing of the ball. Quinn put in a good second half, and his roving was a strong point in the third term revival of Port. He scored three goals.

The skipper, V. Johnson, played solidly. His footpassing was accurate. Wade after a good beginning eased off.

Ween marked well at times but seldom passed the ball to a comrade. Coldwell roved with dash and scored two goals. Galliford as goalsneak did not achieve success. He had several chances, but his kicking was astray.

Mucklow played well at centre wing, his long kicking being a valuable feature of his play. The rest of the Port men were fair.

Leading Goalkickers

Owens (Glenelg)	68
Bennetts (West)	62
Margitich (South)	39
Troughton (Torrens)	37
Tucker (North)	36
McGregor (West)	35
Dayman (Port)	31
H. Hawke (North)	31
Krome (Norwood)	27
Quinn (Port)	27

Leading goalkickers today were:—Rosewarne (Glenelg) 5, Bauer (Sturt), Bennetts (West), Hawke and Tucker (North), each 4; Potts and Heffernan (Norwood), Dayman and Quinn (Port), Barron (Sturt), and Oliver (South), each 3.

Attendances and Takings

	Attendance	Takings
Adelaide Oval	11,000	£452
(North v. Norwood)		
Showgrounds	10,500	521
(Port v. West)		
Thebarton Oval	4,262	195
(Glenelg v. Torrens)		
Unley Oval	1,478	76
(South v. Sturt)		
Grand totals	27,238	£1,247