

Port, West, North and Norwood Comprise Football Final Four

FREAK WIND AND WET BALL

RED-AND-BLACKS SHOW SUPERIORITY

Conditions Against North High-marking

(By O. J. O'GRADY)

As a result of a change of wind at quarter time West kicked with the breeze all the first half in the match against North at Wayville today. This certainly helped them, but the main factor in their victory was the superior manner in which they handled the wet ball.

Although North were decisively defeated they were a much better team than the result would indicate. With conditions suitable for the high-marking game the red-and-whites will be a much more difficult proposition.

Regarding the light that this match throws on the premiership position, it is evident that West are getting back to their best form. One point where the red-and-blacks might effect an improvement is in their forward lines. Although their small men did well today, I think that with a little more co-operation and a little less individualism even better results might be achieved.

Turning to North, there is no doubt the red-and-whites have a high-marking combination and, given suitable conditions, they will be difficult to defeat. Morris showed improved form at centre, but Townley, the skipper, is in poor form. He started off at half-back, but was not a success. If Townley cannot strike form

he should stand down, as a poor display by a skipper has a demoralising effect on a team.

WEST	4-2	8-8	11-13	14-18
NORTH	2-1	3-1	6-3	8-6

Best Players.—West—Bishop, Payne, Solomon, Williams, Bennetts, McGregor, Snell, and Stokes. North—Furler, Lewis, Ween, Munn, Morris, Taylor, Thomas, and McDowall.

Goalkickers:—West—Bennetts and Bishop (each 4), Whitford and Stokes (each 2), McGregor, and Payne. North—Furler (4), Thomas, Ween, H. Hawke, and Cameron.

NORWOOD WIN WELL

INJURY WEAKENS GLENELG

Owens Kicks Eight Goals

Norwood comfortably accounted for Glenelg in a match that lacked interest from a spectacular point of view at Norwood Oval. The seaiders were more than holding their own until early in the third quarter, when J. Lloyd, their dashing wingman, was taken from the field suffering from a dislocated shoulder.

Glenelg were defeated by 36 points. Owens gave an excellent display, and booted eight goals.

The match was of great importance to Norwood, a victory meant that they were assured of a place in the final four. They were without the services of W. K. Potts, who was suffering from an abscess in an ear. His place was taken by A. Hall, who gave a creditable display. Glenelg had the services of G. Barbary for the first time for several months. Umpire S. A. D. Hill had charge of the game.

Winning the toss, Sallis selected the southern goal, which was favored by the fresh breeze that blew across the oval. From the bounce Lloyd sent the ball forward, and a concerted move brought full points from Rosewarne. Norwood quickly found their feet, and a difficult angle shot by Krome brought up both flags.

The seaiders, however, were determined to make the best of their opportunities, and goals came from Owens and K. Olliver. The game seemed likely to develop into a series of scrambles, and Umpire Hill stopped the play while the men took their correct positions. Owens goalied for Glenelg, and then Heffernan retaliated with two full-pointers in quick succession.

GLENELG ON DEFENCE

With the change of ends, the Glenelg defence was kept busy for some time. Handby cleared, and in a flash K. Olliver and Hack had sent the ball down the centre to Owens. He made no mistake. A determined red-and-blue attack culminated in full points from Johnson. The seaiders were not to be denied, however, and Rosewarne and Winkler added goals.

A shower made the ball slippery, and what little combination had characterised play disappeared. Norwood produced a series of singles, and then Mutton broke through with a welcome goal. Owens retaliated, and then Heffernan called up two flags.

The third term opened with Norwood pressing the attack, but sound work by

Handby and F. Olliver relieved the situation. They came again, and Biddell found the main opening. Heavy rain started to fall. Handling the slippery ball well, Owens goalied with a long kick.

Players could not retain their balance on the wet ground, and continued to handle the ball instead of kicking it off the ground. Glenelg were the worst offenders in this regard.

LLOYD HURT

Biddell equalised the scores with a goal, and then Owens found the central opening again. Lloyd was injured at this stage and was taken from the arena. The east-erners made a burst, and within a few minutes goals were registered by Heffernan, Mutton, Krome, and then Mutton again.

Owens put on his seventh goal for the day, but the seaiders missed Lloyd from the field. Mutton and Heffernan each called up the two flags before the close of the quarter.

A quick thrust brought a goal from Heffernan, who was doing particularly well. After a period of desultory play Johnson registered the maximum. Spurred on by the success, Norwood came again with full points from Biddell. Johnston (Glenelg) followed a brilliant mark with a goal. Play had degenerated. A goal, his eighth, came from Owens before the close.

Scores:—

First Quarter	
GLENELG	4-3
NORWOOD	3-3
Second Quarter	
GLENELG	8-5
NORWOOD	6-9
Third Quarter	
NORWOOD	14-15
GLENELG	11-5
Final	
NORWOOD	17-17
GLENELG	13-5

Goalkickers.—Norwood—Heffernan (6), Mutton (4), Biddell (3), Johnson, and Krome (each 2). Glenelg—Owens (8), Rosewarne (2), K. Olliver, Johnston, and Winkler.

Best Players.—Norwood—Scott, Heffernan, Ackland, Lill, Mutton, Symonds, and Biddell. Glenelg—Lloyd (until hurt), Handby, Owens, Barbary, W. Hill, Sallis, and Johnston.

MATCHES NEXT SATURDAY

LEAGUE

Glenelg v. West (Glenelg).
North v. Port (Adelaide).
Norwood v. South (Adelaide).
Sturt v. Torrens (Unley).

NARROW VICTORY

Torrens With Sixteen Men

GRIM FIGHT AT ADELAIDE

After a brilliant first quarter in the match against South at Adelaide Oval Torrens were at a disadvantage for the remainder of the game through injuries to Karney (captain) and Phillips, who were taken from the field before half-time and did not return.

Playing an admirable uphill game during the last half Torrens kept their opponents in check, and eventually won a willing and interesting match by four points. Broderick captained the Thebarton men following the injury to Karney.

TORRENS	6-5	7-6	11-9	14-12
SOUTH	1-6	6-9	9-11	13-14

Goalkickers.—Torrens—Geue (4), Bertram and Kearns (each 3), Hocking, Karney, Quinn, and Bastian. South—Margitich (4), Downs (3), Herde and Tully (each 2), Gardner, and Robinson.

Best Players.—Torrens—Read, Fleet, Broderick, Hocking, Bertram, Williamson, Hine, Geue, and Bastian. South—Ryan, Herde, MacKay, Robertson, Jaffee, Tully, Margitich, and Donaghey.

STURT OUTPLAYED

EASY VICTORY FOR PORT

Rain Affects Football

In the first quarter of the Port-Sturt match at Unley Oval today the teams appeared to be evenly matched.

After that the double-blues were never dangerous, and apparently assisted by the wet conditions Port ran out winners by 54 points. Final scores were:—Port, 13-16; Sturt, 6-4.

The visitors secured victory by superior handling of the greasy ball. It was a disappointing game, revealing little system. Most of the flashes of effective play were produced by Port men. Sturt frequently spoiled their work by flying together, not watching their men, and inaccurate midfield passing.

PORT	1-2	6-6	10-8	13-16
STURT	1-1	3-1	5-2	6-4

Goalkickers.—Port—Logan (5), Ween (3), Dayman (2), Galliford, Hender, and Mucklow. Sturt—James and Weller (each 2), R. H. Whitehead and Martin.

Best Players.—Port—Ween, Logan, Galliford, Wade, R. and V. Johnson, Keal, and K. Johnson. Sturt—Weller, Barron, Hutton, Martin, C. Scrutton, Stuart, Simpson, and Smith.

POSITIONS OF CLUBS

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Prem.	
Port	16	13	3	—	1360	1186	26
West	16	12	4	—	1503	1122	24
North	16	9	6	1	1293	1247	19
Norwood	16	9	7	—	1215	1175	18
Torrens	16	7	8	1	1102	1153	15
Sturt	16	6	9	1	1209	1354	13
Glenelg	16	4	12	—	1291	1461	8
South	16	2	13	1	1174	1449	5

Leading Goalkickers

Owens (Glenelg)	76
Bennetts (West)	66
Margitich (South)	43
Troughton (Torrens)	37
McGregor (West)	36
Tucker (North)	36
Dayman (Port)	33
H. Hawke (North)	32
Galliford (Port)	31
Krome (Norwood)	29

The leading goalkickers in today's games were:—Owens (Glenelg), 8; Heffernan (Norwood), 6; Logan (Port), 5; Bennetts, Bishop (West), Bertram (Torrens), Furler (North), Margitich (South), and Mutton (Norwood), each 4.

NOTES ON THE GAMES

NORWOOD SAFE

Glenelg Battle Gamely

Norwood made their position in the final four secure by defeating Glenelg at Norwood Oval. Although not spectacular, the game promised to be interesting until an injury necessitated J. Lloyd, the brilliant Glenelg wingman, leaving the field, from then onward the red-and-blues held too many guns for their opponents.

A. Heffernan gave a fine performance in the forward lines, and the six goals which came from his boot were all well deserved. His efforts were to a large extent responsible for the success of the side.

L. Mutton signalled his return to the game with four majors. The run should sharpen him up, and he should be in good form for the remaining matches.

S. Ackland defended his goal in fine style. His marking was sound, and he relieved with a long kick. He used excellent judgment in leaving goal.

W. Scott was reliable in defence, and received fine support from A. Geary and J. M. Siggins. W. M. Symonds was prominent on the wing, and many successful attacks were launched by him.

A. Lill was a useful performer at centre, and provided an interesting tussle with L. Sallis. He was superior in the air, but lost the advantage in ground play.

J. Owens showed his old brilliance as a goalgetter for the seaiders. Eight goals came from his boot, many of them being from long shots with a slippery ball.

J. Lloyd was doing well on the wing until he received his injury.

The inclusion of G. Barbary in the team after an absence of several months was most opportune, and helped to make up for the loss of Lloyd.

J. Handby broke down many Norwood attacks and was ably assisted by F. Olliver, M. Dunbar, and F. Wiese.

G. B. Johnston and W. Hill were determined battlers throughout the match. Johnston delighted with his brilliant marking, while Hill was a tiger in defence.

P. Winkler was transferred to the half-back line after Lloyd left the field, and acquitted himself well in the position.

INJURED PLAYERS

THREE TORRENS MEN HURT

Lloyd Dislocates Shoulder

Three Torrens players were badly hurt in the game against South at Adelaide Oval today.

J. Karney (captain) splintered a bone in his right foot and was removed to his home. He may have the foot in plaster for Paris for about six weeks. P. Broderick captained the team after the injury to Karney.

Early in the game J. H. Phillips tore the muscles of his right shoulder, and he also had to leave the field. His left arm was rendered useless, and he was unable to return to the ground. Both players were attended by Dr. C. E. Dolling.

In the second term O. M. Bertram, Torrens half-forward, received a heavy blow on the back. He was in pain for the rest of the game, but was nevertheless one of the most prominent men on the side.

J. Lloyd (Glenelg) dislocated his left shoulder in a collision which occurred early in the third quarter of the match between Glenelg and Norwood at Norwood Oval today. He left the field, and the injury was set by Dr. S. L. Dawkins.

K. Olliver (Glenelg) also received an injury to a shoulder in the match, and was of little use in the closing stages of play. It is not known whether the hurt is serious.

Attendances and Takings

Showgrounds	Attendance	Takings
(North v. West)	7,700	£462
Unley Oval		
(Port v. Sturt)	6,000	301
Norwood Oval		
(Glenelg v. Norwood)	5,000	263
Adelaide Oval		
(South v. Torrens)	4,400	183
Grand totals	23,700	£1,210