

Port Still Undefeated; First Win for Glenelg

TORRENS DEFEATED

OVERSHADOWED BY BAY TEAM IN LAST TERM

Accurate Kicking on Both Sides

(By O. J. O'Grady)

After having a slight advantage for most of the day, Glenelg overshadowed Torrens in the final term and secured their initial win for the season.

It was distinctly unfortunate for the gold-and-blues to have Hine seriously injured half-way through the game, yet despite this Glenelg thoroughly deserved their win.

A feature of the game was accurate kicking for goal on both sides.

Both teams fielded representative eighteens, two men to reappear with Torrens being Lock and Kempster. The former had completed a long spell of disqualification, while Kempster, a young carnival star of last season, had not been deemed worthy of a place in the earlier selections of his side this year.

The recent rain and the absence of any noticeable wind made conditions ideal for play. Karney won the toss and wisely chose to kick to the northern end, thus keeping the sun out of the eyes of his attackers, when they were going for the ball. Kempster was placed at centre half-forward, Geue at centre, and Ashby in the ruck.

The first term was evenly contested, and the seaside team owed its goal lead to a better understanding in its forward lines. Torrens were inclined to drive the ball

in their favor, and at lemons the scores were level.

Owing to the impotency of Hine, Torrens were playing practically only 17 men, and this factor may have influenced Sallis in playing an extra rover. Glenelg were, as usual, first away, and the scoring of three goals gave them a lead which the weakened Torrens team had little chance of overtaking.

After much midfield play a goal heartened the visitors, but when, with only three minutes to go, Glenelg scored another six-pointer, the issue was settled.

The game, which was poorly attended, provided good football, although there was little brilliant teamwork. High marking and long kicking were of a fine standard, while the instructions of the league to umpires to endeavor to minimize rough play and scrambling were productive of an improvement in this case.

FREES FAIRLY EVEN

Umpire Raven had charge of the game, and it was early apparent that he had the instructions of the league in mind. Although he, as every umpire must do, made mistakes, he kept control of the play, and specially for the first three terms, his display should please league delegates.

The free kicks were fairly evenly distributed, and were as follow:—

	Torrens.	Glenelg.
First quarter	14	9
Second quarter	11	10
Third quarter	14	9
Fourth quarter	4	8
	43	36

It is interesting to note that the total of 79 frees for the match compares with 68, 64, and 60 for the three previous games witnessed by me.

Regarding the prospects of the teams, both will have to show improvement if they wish to figure in the finals.

First Quarter

GLENELG	4-2
TORRENS	3-2

Second Quarter

GLENELG	6-4
TORRENS	7-4

Third Quarter

GLENELG	10-7
TORRENS	10-7

Final

GLENELG	14-8
TORRENS	11-9

Best Players.—Glenelg—Handby, Sexton, Barbary, Lloyd, Owens, Winkler, Percy, and Johnstone. Torrens—Read (best on ground), Karney, Ashby, Osborn, Broderick, and Troughton.

POSITIONS OF CLUBS

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Port	5	5	—	—	427	383	10
West	5	4	1	—	445	374	8
Sturt	5	3	1	1	428	367	7
Norwood	5	3	2	—	384	320	6
North	5	1	3	1	356	430	3
Torrens	5	1	4	—	304	348	2
Glenelg	5	1	4	—	374	431	2
South	5	1	4	—	377	442	2

Leading Goalkickers

Owens (Glenelg)	24
Troughton (Torrens)	22
Bennetts (West)	18
Margitich (South)	15
McGregor (West)	13
Ween (Port)	11
Dayman (Port)	10
Downs (South)	10
Rau (Sturt)	10
G. Scrutton (Sturt)	9
Wadham (Norwood)	9

NOTES ON THE GAMES

GLENELG V. TORRENS

Interstate Possibilities

(By O. J. O'Grady)

My object in witnessing the game between Glenelg and Torrens today was to note the form of the prospective interstate men engaged.

One man who has improved out of all knowledge is Read, who played a wonderful game at half-back left for Torrens. He marked like a champion, and his ground play and kicking were high class.

I had not previously considered Read as an interstate possibility. If the interstate selectors saw him today he must have a great chance of being included. Undoubtedly the defeat of Torrens would have been heavy but for the efforts of this man.

For the winners Handby played a great game at centre half-back. He is a certainty for the State side. Sexton, specially in the first half, when he was brilliant, played a valuable game for his side. He received able support from his flankers, Barbary and Lloyd, both of whom will be knocking at the door when the South Australian team is selected on Saturday, June 9.

Owens was deadly when in possession, and six goals came his way.

Winkler and Percy are half-forwards of class.

Johnstone was good in the ruck, and Sallis was useful in defence.

Page is perhaps one of the weakest links in the team.

After Read, several Torrens players are fairly even. The veteran skipper Karney played good football and is effectively living down the one blot on a long and an honorable football career. I refer to his affair in the Port game last year, which was painted much worse than it actually was.

Ashby, taking a turn in the ruck, played a solid game, and Osborn and Broderick (who took the place of Hine in goals) were good in defence.

Troughton gained six goals, but he missed several chances. Umpire Raven was not caught too often by this "prince of stagers."

Kempster was defeated by Handby, but looks like running into form.

Lock played tirelessly and effectively in the ruck.

The weak links were the wingmen, Fleet and Shepherd, who were out-classed by their immediate opponents.

FORWARDS SUPERIOR

Secret of West Success

STURT FIGHT HARD

Driving home their attacks more effectively than their opponents, West gained a well-deserved victory at the expense of Sturt at Adelaide Oval.

Final scores were West 14-14, Sturt 11-15.

WEST	3-5	9-6	11-12	14-14
STURT	2-3	4-5	8-10	11-15

Goalkickers.—West—McGregor (4), Mason and Payne (each 3), Bennetts (2), Mesecke and Williams. Sturt—G. Scrutton (4), Martin and Barron (each 2), Riley, C. Whitehead, and Weller.

Best Players.—West—McGregor, Snell, Ryder, Payne, Chaplin, Schoff, and Batt. Sturt—Barron, Smith, Riley, G. Scrutton, R. and C. Whitehead, and Weller.

INJURED PLAYERS

Two Sustain Ankle Trouble

Shortly after the start of the third quarter in the game between Torrens and Glenelg at Glenelg today, E. J. Hine (Torrens goalkeeper) injured an ankle, and finished the game in the forward lines. He stated afterward that he did not think the injury should trouble him long. P. Broderick took his place between the sticks.

P. Winkler was also troubled by an ankle injury during the match, but it did not inconvenience him greatly.

EIGHT QUICK GOALS

Early Scoring by Glenelg

Of the 14 goals kicked by Glenelg against Torrens today, I estimate that eight of them (one in the first term, two in each of the second and third terms, and three in the final term) were scored within approximately seven minutes of the start of the quarters.

forward without any serious effort to pick out a man. Two other factors which helped the "tigers" were the superiority of Sexton at centre and the safe defence of Handby at half-back.

Soon after the change of ends Owen placed his side in a nice position by scoring two goals in rapid succession. Glenelg, who had been helped in great style by the control at centre by Sexton, might have obtained a winning lead had not Karney sent Geue to half-forward and taken the pivotal position himself. From then until the term closed Torrens had the better of things, and although several easy chances to score were missed just before half-time, Torrens were only a goal to the bad at that stage.

HINE SUSTAINS INJURY

Immediately on resumption Glenelg went forward, and again, with two quick goals, had an 18-point advantage. The situation was ominous for Torrens when a leg of Hine gave way and rendered him practically useless. He was sent into the forward lines.

This handicap, however, spurred Torrens on, and playing their best football for the day, the honors of the term were easily

NORWOOD WIN

South Finish Strongly

VIGOROUS DISPLAY

Although entirely free from roughness, plenty of vigor was instilled into the game between Norwood and South Adelaide at Norwood Oval today.

The home team won, scoring 11-16 to 8-16.

At times both teams displayed good football, but neither side showed that degree of brilliance of which they are capable. Faulty kicking in the early stages of the game was mainly responsible for the scrambles that were often in evidence. Norwood specially erred in this direction, their footpassing being inaccurate and frequently intercepted by an opponent.

The redlegs owe their success to sheer determination shown in the third quarter, when they added 5-8 while the opposition scored 2-3.

During this term Daly and Symonds, the Norwood flankers, were prominent, and most of the successful redleg attacks emanated from them.

NORWOOD	2-5	5-6	10-14	11-16
SOUTH	2-5	4-9	6-10	8-16

Goalkickers:—Norwood—Biddell, Krome, and Lawson (each 3), Wadham, Applebee. South—Margitich (2), A. J. Ryan, Robertson, Downs, Tully, Griffen, and Herde.

Best Players:—Norwood—Lawson, Plumstead, Daly, Scott, Ackland, Siggins, Symonds. South—Jackson, Robertson, A. J. Ryan, Tully, Mackay, Oliver.

NORTH DIE HARD

Exciting Match at Prospect

PORT SCRAPE HOME

For thrills and excitement the game between Port and North at Prospect Oval today would be hard to eclipse. The home team were in possession when the bell rang, Tucker having marked the ball within easy kicking distance.

However, his shot lacked direction and the kick which might have brought victory produced only a single. Port won by three points, final scores being Port 13-12 and North 12-15.

Play was fast and entertaining, with neither side showing sustained advantage, although in one burst in the second quarter the seashiders added four goals while North were left standing.

PORT	1-4	5-7	11-11	13-12
NORTH	4-3	5-8	9-11	12-15

Goalkickers.—Port—Dayman (5), Galliford (3), Coldwell, V. Johnson, K. Johnson, Ween, and Terrell. North—H. Hawke (4), Townley, Tucker, and Thompson (2), Pitzner, and Williams.

Best Players.—Port—Dayman, R. Johnson, Galliford, Hodge, Maywald, Mucklow, Wilkins, and V. Johnson. North—Townley, Morris, Taylor, H. Hawke, B. Hawke, McDowall, Furler, and Lewis.