

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 eighteen, 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.

GLENELG 4-2 8-4 10-7 14-8
TORRENS 3-2 7-4 10-7 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.

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.

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.

NORWOOD 2-5 5-8 10-14 11-16
SOUTH 2-5 4-8 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.

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 outclassed by their immediate opponents.

WEST REGAINING FORM

Sturt Battle Hard

West indicated in their play against Sturt that they are rapidly regaining the form that won them premiership honors last season. They led out well, bumped hard, and passed the ball on with accuracy.

Sturt went down with colors flying, and with a little luck in the forward lines might have turned the tables. Their dogged determination was worthy of better result.

W. R. Chaplin played his usual good game at centre half-back, and cleared the ball repeatedly with a long kick. His cool and effective work had an important bearing on the fortunes of the game.

B. McGregor was not so sure in marking as usual, but did more than a fair share toward the success of the team. He kicked four goals and assisted in the securing of a number of others.

Whether rucking or placed, F. Ryder was always in the picture. He would not admit defeat, and revelled in the hard nature of the game.

F. Mason made an auspicious first appearance for the season. He was always in position, and his three goals were the result of clever play. He received a knock on a knee, but after attention by the trainers was quickly in the thick of the fray again.

A. Payne was an effective scout, and D. Williams also did well in that department.

R. Snell and V. Bateman were prominent at centre. They seldom clashed, but when they did honors were even.

C. Whitehead was a tower of strength to the double-blues, and registered one of his best performances for the season. R. H. Whitehead, who bruised a chest bone against North, received a blow on the injury, and was comparatively quiet.

A. G. Smith was consistently sound in defence, in which department C. James also did well. C. Scrutton and L. King were superior to their opponents on the wing.

H. Riley spent the first quarter as goal-sneak. Although he marked brilliantly his kicking was not accurate. When on the ball he did better.

Weller went forward in the latter part of the game, and on a number of occasions sent the ball well in toward the goal-mouth. He kicked one goal.

NORWOOD V. SOUTH

Jackson Best on Field

Plumstead and Lawson shared the honor of being the best players for Norwood today. The former was prominent throughout the match against South, and his work when roving greatly assisted his team in attaining victory. Plumstead is a young player, and as long as he shows the form exhibited today he must retain his place in the side.

Lawson, too, has made good. He is an invaluable ruckman, and bore the brunt of the work in the packs. When placed he was seldom defeated, and his three goals were the result of clever play.

Daly was in excellent form, and time after time instituted attacks from his position on the wing. It was seldom that the opposing flankers clashed, and none of them was outclassed by his immediate rival.

Symonds did useful work, specially in the third term, when he forwarded the ball frequently.

Ackland kept goal excellently, his marking being a strong feature. On many occasions he ventured farther afield, and assisted the back men in repulsing the attacks of the southerners.

Siggins at centre played a useful game, his cool and clever work stamping him as a worthy successor to Lill.

Scott defended with his customary skill, and was a thorn in the side of the South forwards.

Jackson was the best man on the field, and was seldom defeated. He defended doggedly all the afternoon, his marking and ground play being clever and clean. Repeatedly he was responsible for checking the redlegs.

Robertson was one of the mainstays of the rucks. He worked solidly and made good use of the ball whenever it came his way.

In addition to captaining the team, A. J. Ryan was frequently in the picture. Stationed at centre half-forward, he led out well, but did not have as much support from his colleagues in that division as he should have.

Mackay gave a capital display on the wing, and must be included among the best players. Frequently he sent the ball goalward.

Tully played in his customary clever manner. Roving with judgment he passed the ball with accuracy, and was often applauded for his tricky methods.

Guthrie, although suffering from an injured ankle, did well in his first league match. He did not intend to play, but South had no one to take his place.

LAST QUARTER FIGHT

Port Defeat North

North fought every inch of the way in a thrilling last-quarter against Port at Prospect Oval today. Until its latter stages goal for goal was scored, with Port always well in front, but last-minute attacks almost brought North victory.

Port secured their win with bursts of rapid scoring in the second and third quarters. North secured their goals by persistent play rather than by flashes of brilliance.

It is difficult to decide the better team on the day. Port were generally a little superior in marking and passing, but North played a plucky game and frequently looked like coming out on top. Some of their men went through the crushes in convincing manner, despite the keenness of Port. Shepherding was also exploited to good effect.

On the whole it was a satisfactory exposition of football.

Owing to his high flying and accurate dropkicks Dayman was the most effective player for Port. He secured five goals.

In defence R. Johnson was reliable, as was also Wilkins (half-back). Galliford was an alert goalsneak, and three majors rewarded his efforts.

Hodge and Mucklow shone on the wings, and often outpointed the opposing flankers. V. Johnson was a solid follower, and Maywald proved his worth as goalkeeper. Nearly every other man in the team displayed good form at different stages.

No one stood out for the northerners. The absence of D. Conrad from the half-back line weakened the rearguard, and it might have been more beneficial to have put E. Morris in his former position at centre half-back. However, Morris shaped well as pivot and was in the limelight throughout.

Townley and Furler were useful followers, the firstnamed kicking two goals.

H. Hawke registered four majors, and was easily the best North forward. Others who were seen to advantage were Taylor (half-back), B. Hawke (wing), Leahy (ruck), McDowall (roving), and Lewis (goals).

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

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.

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), Pittner, 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.

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

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	P.	W.	L.	for.	ag.	Pts.	Prom.
Glenelg	5	4	1	404	291	8	
North	5	4	1	342	300	8	
Norwood	5	3	2	416	328	6	
Torrens	5	3	2	352	354	6	
Port	5	3	2	319	324	6	
Sturt	5	1	4	379	429	2	
West	5	1	4	364	440	2	
South	5	1	4	294	404	2	

Murphy (Glenelg)	16
Guiney (Sturt)	13
Caust (South)	12
Bent (Norwood)	11
Maine (Norwood)	11
Rush (North)	11
H. Hawke (North)	10

GLENELG 16-18
SOUTH 5-8

Goalkickers.—Glenelg—Mussman (6), Murphy (4), P. Leverington, Kean (each 2), L. Leverington, McGlinchy. South—Caust (2), Stuart, Ryan, Kay. Best Players.—Glenelg—P. Leverington, Dunbar, Mussman, Kean, Gates. South—Donaghey, Lynch, Ryan, Patterson, Caust.