

Port Consolidate Position : North Have Hollow Victory

TORRENS BRILLIANT IN AIR

DEFEAT NORWOOD BY TWENTY-FOUR POINTS

Winners Can Still Improve Their System

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Torrens' win over Norwood today may be attributed to their superiority in the air. In this department Torrens gave a brilliant display, and Lampe was supreme.

Norwood lacked effectiveness as soon as Biddell lost his accuracy. The redlegs also indulged in futile short passing at times.

Had Torrens' forwards kept the game open the winning margin of the gold-and-blues may have been much greater. If Torrens can remedy this weakness they may achieve further successes this season. If they fail to do this their performances are likely to be inconsistent. Not in every match will Lampe mark so brilliantly, and more or less, overcome the faulty tactics of the rest of the forward lines.

Premiership Table

	P.	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	Pts.
Port	10	9	1	963	593	18	
Norwood	10	7	3	892	688	14	
West	10	6	4	722	677	12	
Sturt	10	5	5	762	806	10	
North	10	4	6	823	820	8	
Glenelg	10	4	6	748	888	8	
Torrens	10	3	7	712	819	6	
South	10	2	8	775	1108	4	

LEADING GOALKICKERS

Margitich (South)	51
Owens (Glenelg)	41
Dayman (Port)	40
Bennetts (West)	38
Troughton (Torrens)	35
Farmer (North)	34
Mutton (Norwood)	25
Logan (Port)	24
Sims (Sturt)	20

NORTH OUTCLASS SOUTH

MARGIN OF 83 POINTS

Many Frees Against City Side

With the exception of the first quarter South were totally outclassed at Prospect by North today. The red-and-whites ran out winners by 83 points. In the previous encounter at Adelaide Oval South were victors.

North received many more frees than their opponents, but without this advantage would have won fairly easily. It was one of the worst games played by South this season.

NORTH	2-4	9-6	14-12	20-14
SOUTH	3-0	3-1	6-2	3-3

Goalkickers.—North—Furber, McDowall, and Farmer (each 4), Williams (3), Tobin and Drew (each 2), and Munn, South—Margitich (3), Patch (2), Oliver, Roberts, and Masters.

Best Players.—North—Furber, Taylor, Fleet, Williams, McDowall, Drew, and Conrad. South—Mackay, Tully, Roberts, O'Brien, Masters, and O'Connell.

CLOSE-UPS OF PLAYERS

GLENELG had two good rovers in C. Hill and A. Link. The lastnamed was busy all day on the outskirts of the rucks, and his dashing work and accurate passing made him prominent throughout the game.

J. Owens showed his best form for Glenelg today. At one stage of the game he had kicked seven out of eight goals scored by his team. He went into the crashes with judgment and marked in good style.

In defence for Glenelg, J. Handby was as solid as a rock. His dashes from the half-back line were well judged, and it was seldom that he failed to clear with a long, telling kick.

J. Sexton was a solid battler for Glenelg against Port. At centre half-forward in the first half, and centre in the second, he played well. Another to show out was L. Griffiths on the half-back line.

J. Lloyd was the outstanding player of the Glenelg centreline against Port. He had the better of matters with T. Wade. His work on the whole was of high standard.

ONCE more L. C. Dayman was the star of the Port forward line. He was closely watched by L. Sallis, but despite this brought down some great marks, and kicked four goals.

M. Allingham was the outstanding player for Port today. On the pivot he instituted many successful attacks. His leading out, ground play, and passing were excellent.

L. Galliford (roving and forward) and J. Wade (ruck) were both responsible for solid games for Port.

R. Johnson and J. Mott played great games in defence for Port. They were well assisted by C. Keal and C. Maywald. Keal was placed in a pocket.

SCOUING with judgment on the fringe of the packs, T. Quinn showed fine form for Port. His ground play was excellent, and his low passing was a feature of the game. He has mastered stabkicking.

TORRENS 3-3 6-8 8-11 13-12

NORWOOD 5-2 5-4 9-5 10-6

Goalkickers.—Torrens—Lampe (6), Troughton (3), Sincok (2), Phillips, and Lock. Norwood—Biddell (3), Mutton, and Heffernan (each 2), Johnson, Wadham, and Krome.

Best Players.—Torrens—Lampe, Osborn, Read, Sincok, Hocking, Broderick, Hine, and Bridgman. Norwood—Daly, Heffernan, Siggins, Scott, Ackland, Biddell, and Wait.

Attendances and Takings

	Attendances	Receipts
Adelaide Oval	8,382	£343
Unley Oval	5,000	£247
Thebarton Oval	10,362	£348
Prospect Oval	2,944	£154
	26,688	£1,092

INTERESTING FINISH

STURT DOWNED AT UNLEY

Fine Last Quarter Effort

West seemed to have Sturt well in hand in the first half of the game at Unley. In the third quarter, however, Sturt made an impressive recovery, and the last quarter was strenuously contested.

The city team finished with a trifle more dash than Sturt, and that probably accounted for their victory. Until the last couple of minutes the issue was in the balance, and R. Snell (West pivot) clinched the game with a goal about a minute before the end.

WEST	5-3	7-4	8-9	13-14
STURT	1-3	4-7	9-12	11-15

Goalkickers.—West—McGregor (5), Williams, Bennetts, Snell (each 2), Payne, and Whitford. Sturt—Mattner (4), Sims (2), Wundersitz, Bauer, Thomas, Green, Martin.

Best Players.—West—Snell, Solomon, Payne, Stokes, Bennett, Mesecke, Church, and Bennetts. Sturt—Mattner, Johnston, Bateman, Wadham, Smith, Simpson, Sims, and Fisher.

REAPPEARING after an absence of many weeks, B. McGregor (skipper of West) played a useful game against Sturt. Obviously he was unwilling to risk further injury to his leg, but his team mates often found him in good position. He kicked five goals.

E. J. Bennetts was deposed from his position of goalsneak for West today, but that did not detract from his usefulness to the side. He performed much valuable service. In defence West were best represented by A. Stokes, who played his usual solid and determined game, and J. Church.

TWO excellent performers for West against Sturt were H. Solomon (wing) and A. Payne (roving). Both play a similar type of game. Their dashing ground work and accurate passing were features. Both contributed largely to the victory of West.

WEST owe their victory today largely to the work of R. Snell at centre. He exerted great influence over the play, and he always placed the ball to the best advantage.

H. W. Johnston played a good game for Sturt against West. On a wing he showed great anticipation, which often outwitted his opponent. Cyril Scrutton, a newcomer to the team, displayed promise on the other wing.

V. Bateman, of Sturt, had to lower his colors to R. Snell, brilliant West pivot. Bateman did well in the air, but his use of the ball was not so effective as that of his opponent.

THERE were several good workers for Sturt in defence against West. A. Simpson, J. Wadham, A. G. Smith, and E. Fisher were in great form. E. W. Sims brought down some good marks on the half-forward line, and C. Whitehead was occasionally under notice.

H. R. O'Brien has well earned a place in the South team. Against North he played serviceably throughout. Others who shone at intervals for the blue-and-whites were F. G. Roberts, J. P. O'Connell, and H. Jackson. The lastnamed handled the ball a lot, but did not make the best use of it at times.

PORT HARD-PRESSED

Glenelg's Prominence Due to Owens

ISSUE IN DOUBT TO NEAR END

Matching their pace with Port, Glenelg ran the maggies to a thrilling finish on Adelaide Oval today.

The game was in doubt until five minutes to go, when Port scored the necessary points to make their position safe. Even then they managed to win by only 13 points.

It was a brilliant effort on the part of Glenelg, and greatly due to the fine work of Owens in front of goals. He kicked seven of the 12 full-pointers scored by his side.

Taken all through, the Bay men had the better of the play, but their forwards missed opportunities.

A strict interpretation of the rule relating to running with the ball was given by Mr. J. F. S. Montan (central umpire). Port adapted themselves to the interpretation better than Glenelg, with the result that more free kicks came their way than was the case with the Bay men.

Port were as chosen. F. Wiese was an absentee from Glenelg, and H. Baker was included in the side.

Johnson won the toss, and elected to kick toward the river goal. Play eddied between the half-back lines for the first few minutes. Glenelg were first to break through with a goal from Owens, after Terrell had relieved twice. A good low kick by T. Quinn and a miskick by W. Hill (Glenelg) gave Logan two chances to score, but a single was the only result.

Play had been slow, with Port having the better of matters. Handby was playing a solid game in defence for the Bay men. Beginning from Coleman at centre, Glenelg developed attacks that ended in Owens and Winkler goaling. The yellow-and-blacks were playing good, open football. Handby and Sexton were prominent in the next attack, which found Owens in the left pocket. He snapped the fourth goal. In a few minutes Glenelg had brought about a great change in the play for the quarter.

Graves had Port on the move with a great kick from the centre, but two free shots brought only a single. Dayman kicked out of bounds, and T. Quinn put the score on the board.

The maggies secured a goal from Hender, and a long shot from Galliford brought another. In the play preceding this score Coleman went down from a bump on the back of the head. Dayman led out well to receive a pass from Logan, but his kick went across the main opening for a single. Glenelg were putting up a great defence against a strong offensive by Port. Before the quarter closed the Bays added a behind from Owens.

First Quarter

GLENELG	4-2
PORT	2-3

In the first term Handby and T. Quinn had been the outstanding players for their sides. Going forward from the bounce in the second quarter, Port had a behind on the board from Logan within a minute. V. Johnson sent well in to Dayman, who scored a goal from an angle. R. Johnson and Mott stopped Glenelg, and Hender battled his way through and sent the ball well in. Dayman took a great mark, and put Port in front with a goal.

Lloyd had been showing out on a wing, and it was mainly through his efforts that Glenelg had the ball among their forwards, but it went out of bounds. Port cleared, and exciting play followed in front of goal, where the black-and-whites fought desperately to score. Several players handled the ball before Ween snapped it through the tall uprights.

The ball was sent to Logan from the bounce, but he missed an easy shot, a behind being kicked. Barbary and Lloyd combined well to send Glenelg in, and after several attacks had been turned Owens marked and kicked his fourth goal. Light rain began to fall.

Hender had been playing well at half-forward. He put Dayman in possession, but a placed shot went across the goal out of bounds. T. Quinn made amends with a goal. Glenelg were forcing the ball in as the bell rang.

Second Quarter

PORT	6-6
GLENELG	5-2

H. Fleet again proved a reliable goal-keeper for North against South. He is useful in any part of the field, but defence seems to suit him best. He left his goals frequently, but the fact that G. Margitich secured only three majors was evidence that he did so with good reason.

SOUTH had few prominent performers in the game against North. Their best battlers were W. J. Mackay and F. Tully. The former was effective on a wing, and the latter scouted with great skill.

THREE North players kicked four goals today. They were P. Furber, J. McDowall, and K. Farmer. The two first-named were always in the limelight. Furber used his weight well, and marked with distinction. McDowall was at his top, securing the ball often by his anticipation. Farmer was useful.

A. Williams hauled down some beautiful marks for North today. The tall northerner is in much better condition than at the beginning of the season, and he played strongly until the end. Another who rendered excellent service for the red-and-whites was D. Conrad.

C. Taylor smashed numerous attacks by South at Prospect. He is one of the most consistent defenders North have this season.

N. Drew, of North, surprised spectators at Prospect today by his long and accurate kicking. He secured two goals. The second one was from a remarkable distance. He was one of the best of the winners.

W. Scott reappeared for Norwood today after having to rest through injury last Saturday. The Norwood skipper played a fair game today.

Sexton replaced Coleman at centre after the interval. Lloyd and Handby were prominent for Glenelg. Owens marked within distance, but kicked a behind. At the other end Dayman scored the possible for Port after taking a good mark. Play was faster than it had been in the first half. Going along the eastern wing, Glenelg sent well in. Owens raced smartly to the ball, and snapped the sixth goal for Glenelg.

Glenelg were full of running, and K. Olliver got another goal after marking well. Logan was given a free at the other end when running in with an open goal ahead of him. His shot went true, a goal being hoisted. Dayman got the next goal.

Owens was the shining star of the Glenelg attack. He got the eighth goal for the side, seven of which had come from his boot.

The pace increased as the quarter progressed. Purdy, with a goal from a running shot, put Glenelg within two points of Port, but the maggies regained their advantage in a few seconds, Galliford getting a goal at the other end.

Third Quarter

PORT	10-6
GLENELG	9-4

Within 15 seconds of the bounce of the ball C. Hill had snapped the tenth goal for Glenelg. This brought the yellow-and-blacks for the second occasion within two points of Port. Port were on the attack from the bounce, but Glenelg showed a determined front. In going through, T. Quinn was given a free, and goaled. Glenelg were still fighting hard for the lead. After taking two good marks Owens could manage only two singles. Maywald was penalised for running too far with the ball. Winkler took the kick and got a snigle.

Again Owens did well. His kick took the ball to the front of the sticks, where Coleman was given a free. His kick hoisted the eleventh goal for his side, making the score level. The spectators were in a high pitch of excitement. Both teams fought for the lead. Glenelg were turned and Port rushed the ball down, to see T. Quinn snap a goal. Behinds from Logan and Hender made the position a trifle more safe for Port.

R. Johnson was knocked out in a scrimmage as Glenelg went forward again. The Bay men were fighting to the last. With only a couple of minutes to go Port got another goal from Logan, making their position unassailable. Well shepherded by Owens Winkler got the twelfth goal for Glenelg. Scores:—

Final

PORT	14-8
GLENELG	12-7

Goalkickers.—Port—Dayman (4), Logan and T. Quinn (each 3), Galliford (2), Ween, and Hender. Glenelg—Owens (7), Winkler (2), Purdy, C. Hill, and Coleman.

Best Players.—Port—Allingham, T. Quinn, Dayman, Hender, R. Johnson, Mott and Wade. Glenelg—Handby, Owens, Lloyd, Link, Griffiths, Sexton, and Sallis.

R. S. Hocking, Torrens' ruckman, infuses plenty of dash into his play. He marks well, but his kicking, especially his kicking for goal, is not too good. C. E. Bridgman is another ruckman who did well for the gold-and-blues today. When playing in defence he comes through with determination and vigor.

C. C. Daly played the best football for Norwood today. For the first three terms he defeated T. S. Bastian pointlessly. Daly showed clever anticipation, and can usually be relied upon to drive the ball well forward. He minimised his value today by attempting ill-advised short passing on two or three occasions.

A. S. Biddell began the game at Thebarton today by scoring three good goals in the first term. From then on his kicking lacked accuracy, and although he handled the ball frequently the score of Norwood did not derive much benefit.

R. Osborn, centre half-back for Torrens, again gave a dashing defensive display. He was seldom defeated in the air, and was a live wire on the ground. He seems sure to retain his place in the State eighteen. He was ably supported by P. A. Read, whose marking and go-through tactics were effective.

H. C. Heffernan, Norwood rover, was one of the best at Thebarton today. He was largely instrumental in the third-term revival of Norwood, and scored two goals.

E. J. Hine and S. E. Ackland, rival goalkickers at Thebarton today, did well, with Hine perhaps being more often under notice. The Norwood defender was unable to cope with the brilliant marking of Lampe, who scored most of his goals from marks taken close in.