

FOOTBALL SURPRISE: TORRENS DEFEAT SOUTH AT ADELAIDE

NORTH STILL ON TOP

Defeat West in Hard, Bumping Game

UMPIRE HARD TO FOLLOW

Farmer Kicks Six Goals for Winners

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A gusty north-easterly wind militated against good football at Wayville today.

Other factors contributing to the low standard of play were the "bullocking" style of West and an inconsistent display by Umpire G. F. Rohrig.

One thing about which the umpire was consistent was his interpretation of the holding the ball law. He declined to penalise the players for dropping the leather when held. In other respects he was difficult to follow.

North, by establishing a two-goal lead against the wind in the first term, gained an advantage which enabled them to win.

North were by far the better side—their co-ordination being superior to that of West.

That, however, is not saying a great deal in favor of North, as West played an "all-in" game, relying on strength rather than science. These measures did not enable North to get going in their usual style.

North still retain their position at the top of the list, but they must improve on today's play to stay there.

VALUABLE GOALGETTER

The first team that is able to stop Farmer will go a long way toward defeating North. Farmer, however, can get the ball for himself, and takes some stopping. He did well today, and, although suffering from influenza, marked nicely and kicked six goals.

I have previously suggested that North should endeavor to replace Lock at centre, but I must admit that Lock did fairly well there today.

One pleasing feature from the North viewpoint is the continued improvement in the play of McDowall. Had the captain not struck match form a delicate situation would certainly have arisen. Today, however, he was an inspiration to his men.

West's best asset is their ruggedness. They are not likely to defeat many teams by reason of their football ability, but may bump their way through to victory on occasions.

NORTH	3-3	7-5	8-7	10-10
WEST	1-3	4-4	5-9	6-13

Goalkeepers.—North—Farmer (6), Thomas and McDowall (each 2), West—Munro (3), Whitford, McCormack, Jarvis.

Best Players.—North—Fleet, Conrad, Farmer, McDowall, Furler, Mangelsdorf, Lock, West—Soloman, Simons, Connell, McCormack, Hale, Jarvis.

TORRENS SURPRISE

Outplay South at Adelaide

New blood in Torrens helped toward a decisive victory against South at Adelaide Oval.

It was an even and rugged contest up to half-time. In the second half Torrens showed a surprising superiority. The shepherding on both sides was excellent.

TORRENS	5-1	5-6	10-7	13-11
SOUTH	2-4	5-6	6-12	9-13

Goalkeepers.—Torrens—Geue, Webber, and Walte (each 3), Bertram and Lock (each 2), South—Ryan (6), Hall (2), and Tully.

Best Players.—Torrens—Bertram, Webber, Wing, Lock, Russell, Walte, Osborne, Blue, South—Ryan, Mackay, Tully, Sebbard, McEatoe, Stuart, Hewitt, Jaffer, and Erroy.

MELBOURNE GAMES

Margitich Kicks 11 Goals

Senior football matches today were played in fine weather. Essendon were defeated by Melbourne because of bad marksmanship. Barty in the last term they held the lead, but Melbourne kicked perfectly. Margitich, former South Australian forward, was in excellent form, and scored 11 goals.

There was brilliant football in the game in which Carlton won by 15 points from St. Kilda. In the early play Carlton had the better of the game, but St. Kilda got to within striking distance of their opponents.

Collingwood overwhelmed Footscray, and North Melbourne put up a poor display against Richmond. Fitzroy easily accounted for Hawthorn. Best goalkeepers were:—Margitich (Melbourne), 11; C. Chapman (Fitzroy), 7; G. Coventry (Collingwood), 9.

The four leading teams are Carlton, Melbourne, Collingwood, Essendon.

Final scores were:—Carlton, 13-14, St. Kilda, 12-5; Collingwood, 19-10, Footscray, 5-14; Fitzroy, 18-11, Hawthorn, 15-17; Geelong, 14-12, South Melbourne, 11-6; Richmond, 14-20, North Melbourne, 5-13; Melbourne, 17-12, Essendon, 11-22.

NORWOOD WIN WELL

Greater Dash Than Glenelg

Showing greater dash, Norwood scored a substantial victory against Glenelg at Norwood. Assisted by a strong breeze, they established a lead of 32 points in the opening quarter.

NORWOOD—Johnson, Plumstead, McDougall, Biddell, West, Ross, Daly, Lill, Sorrell, Slegias, Scott, Mitchell, Pike, Johns, Geary, Krema, C. McCallum, McEwan, Chinnery (19).

GLENELG—Hill, Owens, Drew, Thompson, Sallis, Whitehead, Lloyd, Coleman, Guiney, Ellis, Handby, Dunbar, Ball, King, Wiese, Johnston, K. Olliver, Link, Griffiths (19).

Glenelg had a fair share of the play, but were weak in the forward division.

Steady rain fell as the players entered the arena. Scott, captain of Norwood, was successful with the toss, and decided to kick to the Parade end, which was favored by a strong breeze. Following fine open play in which Lill and Sorrell figured, West kicked first goal for Norwood soon after the bounce. His kick was a hurried punt from a long way out.

Biddell scored two majors for Norwood in quick succession. Receiving a hand pass from West the same player narrowly missed the large opening. Norwood outmarked Glenelg, who were unable to gauge the gusty wind. Their play lacked cohesion.

Norwood were making most of the assistance of the wind. They were evidently out to establish a useful lead in the opening quarter. The game was particularly fast. Glenelg defenders were battling hard. Daly, who received a knock in the face, left the field for a few minutes for attention. Despite a greasy ball players marked well. Glenelg worked the ball forward. Owens and Link added a point and goal respectively.

First Quarter

NORWOOD	5-4
GLENELG	1-4

With the change of ends Norwood continued to attack. With a long shot West called up both flags.

Glenelg were unable to hold the redlegs, who were much faster to the ball. The home side used long kicks straight for goal. They led out well, and marked surely.

Johnson added two fullpointers in quick time. Although assisted by a strong breeze, the visitors could not break through Norwood's defence. When they did get the ball in their business area their forwards kicked poorly. Owens was palpably below form with his kicking. He missed several easy shots.

Whitehead was prominent in the ruck for Glenelg, whose second goal came from Link. The State follower had a great influence on the game. Thompson and Owens added goals, rushing into unguarded posts. Biddell scored his fifth and the ninth fullpointer for his side.

STURT'S FINE FINISH

Port Defeated at Unley

Leaving Port standing in the last quarter, Sturt fought their way to a well-earned win at Unley.

PORT	1-9	3-11	6-18	10-11
STURT	0-2	4-5	5-8	7-18

Opening the last quarter with the wind, Sturt played Simon at centre half-forward, with Martin in ruck. Dayman had been brought back to centre for Port. Moves by both teams were turned in the goalmouth, and then Port moved in with a hard, forcing attack, which brought a goal from McInerney. The magpies now had the handy lead of 22 points.

Sturt were in a precarious position, so they put all their speed in the following play. A shot from Martin was marked on the goal-line by Morton. His kick resulted in a goal. Another full-pointer from Leak followed, and then Sturt were within distance of their opponents.

The light was getting dull as the quarter progressed.

TORRENS MOVE UP

League Premiership List

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points for.	Prem. ag.	Pts.
North	10	8	2	—	866	679	15
Norwood	10	7	2	1	872	733	16
Sturt	10	7	3	—	915	705	14
South	10	5	5	—	898	903	10
Port	10	4	5	1	882	847	9
West	10	4	6	—	679	793	8
Torrens	10	2	8	—	749	892	4
Glenelg	10	2	8	—	681	990	4

BEST GOALKICKER

Geue Has Lead of Two

Geue (Torrens)	52
Owens (Glenelg)	50
Farmer (North)	50
Dayman (Port)	49
Fryan (South)	28
Hill (South)	27
Krome (Norwood)	26

Attendances and Takings

Oval	Attendance	Receipts
Adelaide	6,384	£251
Unley	6,000	£300
Norwood	4,690	£237
Showgrounds	3,400	£166
	20,438	£999

Much too good for the seashiders in the game. Norwood increased their advantage during the quarter. At half-time they led by 35 points.

Half-time

NORWOOD	10-5
GLENELG	4-9

Drastic changes were made in the placings of Glenelg after half-time. Whitehead went to centre half-forward instead of Sallis, who took the pivotal position. Hill relieved Guiney on a centre wing. Norwood lost no time in attacking, points coming quickly from Krome and West. Johnston was applauded for an excellent mark. As a result of good work by Sallis, Owens marked close to goal, but his kick went out of bounds. A heavy downpour of rain at this stage drove spectators to cover.

In addition to kicking boldly, the visitors lacked judgment when attempting to mark.

Although Norwood had most of the game, little scoring resulted. Handby and Wiese rendered sterling service in defence for the visitors. Only one goal and several behinds had been scored in 23 minutes. Johns (Norwood custodian) kept Owens particularly quiet. Glenelg rushed the ball forward and added their only point for the quarter a moment before the bell. Although they held Norwood in the third term, Glenelg appeared a defeated side.

Third Quarter

NORWOOD	11-12
GLENELG	4-10

Faced with a deficit of 44 points, but assisted by the breeze, Glenelg made a determined effort. Several times the ball was sent forward, but without result. However, Thompson broke the spell when he scored a goal with a shot which bounced through unguarded posts.

Johnston figured prominently for Glenelg. He was responsible for several spectacular marks in succession. A wonderful footpass by Lill placed McDougall in possession within range of goal. The shot went out of bounds.

Glenelg had brightened. They put every ounce into the game. For a time Norwood's defenders had much to do. The seashiders were unlucky. Practically every attempt to score was frustrated. Too often they attempted to pass to Owens, who was being overshadowed by Johns. The latter was most effective. Johnston called up the twelfth goal for the home side.

Krome scored two majors within a few seconds. He walked calmly to the goalmouth and gently kicked the second one through. Glenelg were fading away, and could not sustain the pace at which they began the quarter. Thompson hit a post and followed it up with an excellent goal.

The visitors seemed to have taken on a new lease of life. They had things their own way for a time as far as the play was concerned, but failed to get results.

Poor kicking lost for them golden opportunities. Sallis was playing a great game at centre, and Thompson more than held his own on the half-forward line.

Glenelg were too far in arrears to have a chance. The game ended with them attacking strongly.

Final

NORWOOD	14-13
GLENELG	6-13

Goalkeepers.—Norwood—Biddell (5), Johnson and Krome (each 3), West (2), and Plumstead. Glenelg—Thompson (3), Link (2), and Owens.

Best Players.—Norwood—Scott, Daly, Sorrell, Johns, Biddell, Lill, Johnson. Glenelg—Thompson, Hill, Lloyd, Link, Handby, Wiese, and King.

With less than 10 minutes to go the ball travelled up and down the full length of the ground. Fighting hard, Sturt swept in at full speed. King scored a behind, and then going in again the home side obtained the lead with a goal from Leak.

Green was injured in the play that followed, and Hargreaves took his place. The double-blues held the play, and a single to Simon and a goal to King clinched their win.

A check of Terrell by Johnston was a smart piece of work. The ball travelled on to Simon, who scored the eighth goal for Sturt. This brought them within four points of Port, and with them moving well the issue was in doubt. Simon brought the home team a point nearer with a long shot, and a kick from the same player soon after went out of bounds.

The excitement was intense as the double-blues swept in. Shots by King and Whitehead went out of bounds. Sturt were missing golden opportunities.

Goalkeepers.—Sturt—Leak (3), Morton (2), King, Whitehead, Simon, Green, Wunderlitz. Port—Ween and McInerney (2), Dayman, Quinn, and Ways.

Best Players.—Sturt—Simon, Whitehead, Bateman, Johnston, Leak, Dunn, and Smith. Port—Ways, Quinn, Mott, Betts, V. Johnson, Mucklow.