

Glenelg, North, Norwood, and West Win Today's League Football

CONTRAST IN ATTACK

McCallum Kicks 4-2 for Norwood and Waite 1-8 for Torrens

JOHNS' GREAT GAME

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IN a game which did not reach a high standard, Norwood defeated Torrens by three points at Thebarton. Torrens had more of the play, but a breakdown at forward deprived them of a good chance of victory. Whereas W. McCallum, the Norwood goalsneak, got 4-2 from six scoring shots, Waite, at the other end of the ground, could only manage 1-8 from nine attempts. Johns played a great game for Norwood in defence, and Hocking, reappearing for Torrens after an absence of two years, was outstanding in the ruck.

NOT only was Waite out of touch, but the rest of Torrens' attack was not impressive, and only when Bertram was pushing did Torrens look at all dangerous.

Norwood confirmed previous impressions that they are a solid side, unlikely to fail if they can succeed in preventing opponents from opening the game up.

Norwood supporters can bank on their team putting up a good show for the premiership, but it is difficult to see how the redlegs will be able to subdue North on the Adelaide Oval if that team plays anywhere near top form.

JOHNS GREAT IN GOALS

Johns, Biddell, and W. McCallum were the only Norwood players to shine today. Johns gave a great exhibition of defence work, and apart from several faulty kicks his exhibition was difficult to fault. Safe and at times brilliant marking was the feature of his game.

Biddell, although his delivery of the ball was not as clean as it might have been, was a valuable avenue of attack, and W. McCallum's brilliant marking and accurate kicking gave Norwood the game.

Torrens' defeat gives that side an exceptionally difficult task to make the final four. Hocking, the new coach, has plenty of opportunity to increase the effectiveness of the side.

Although Pontifex was all over Hickman at centre, the Torrens' pivot marred his display by not getting rid of the ball.

The Thebarton team appear to me to require a better player for the goal position than McGuinness. This player is good for his size, but lacks the necessary inches to enable him to cope successfully with a reachy forward.

Conditions for play were again adversely affected by a strong northerly wind. It blew slightly across the Thebarton ground, but greatly favored the Torrens' end.

NORWOOD	4-3	6-4	8-12	9-14
TORRENS	2-2	4-8	4-13	8-17

Best Players.—Norwood—Johns, Sorrell, Krome, W. McCallum, Biddell, F. McCallum. Torrens—Bertram, Hocking, Ashby, Read, Simpson, Quinn.

Goalkeepers.—Norwood—W. McCallum (4), Krome, Biddell, Heffernan, E. A. Johnson, Hall. Torrens—Bertram (3), Hocking, Frogley, Ashby, Waite, Drury.

JUNIORS HELP GLENELG TO BEAT PORT

JUNIOR footballers largely helped Glenelg to defeat Port at Glenelg today. Kicking with a strong wind in the first quarter, the home team established a commanding lead, for which the young players, taking part in their first league game, were largely responsible.

On a centre flank Stott was quick to obtain the ball from the knock at centre and send it goalwards. He played with judgment throughout, and should have no difficulty in retaining his place in the side.

Equally effective were James, Collyer, and Gourlay, all of whom played like veterans.

Port's failure was due largely to faulty shooting in the second quarter when the wind favored them. They had most of the play, but from 13 scoring shots could manage only four goals. Port's football improved as the game progressed. They did well to score three goals in the third quarter. Glenelg's lead of 22 points at "lemons" did not seem enough to carry the day with the better team work that Port were gradually putting into operation.

Glenelg managed to hold off Port for the better part of the last quarter, but their position was getting more precarious as time went on. Playing strongly Port steadily reduced their deficit and spectators were on tip toe with excitement when Glenelg defenders fought valiantly to break down the visitors' repeated thrusts.

FRESH LIFE

At a critical stage Glenelg took on a new lease of life, which resulted in goals from Owens and Murphy. This burst undoubtedly saved the game for them.

Although there was some doubt about his qualification, Gourlay stripped for Glenelg, which fielded the published team. Allingham was reserve for Port.

Glenelg attacked from the bounce. A long kick from the centre was carried by the wind beyond the players. Owens raced for it but failed to get it before it went out close to a behind post.

Owens and Collyer scored goals for Glenelg, who had 14 points on the board before Port made their first thrust. This resulted in a goal from O'Regan. Glenelg combined well and showed great anticipation.

The visitors revealed flashes of good football, but were harassed by the wind. They got best results when they approached the goal with well-directed passes. The Port goalkeeper, Gilbert, found it difficult to kick-in against the wind. Owens got his third goal when one fell short. The Glenelg goalsneak was responsible for five of the eight goals scored by his side in this term.

Port approached the goal mainly with long, high kicks, but the tall Glenelg defenders had the better of them in the air. When their forwards were not outmarked they were spoiled by the backmen. Glenelg used handball with judgment, too, to get them out of difficulties.

BRILLIANT MARKING

Johnston played a prominent part in turning the repeated Port thrusts. Time and again he was applauded for brilliant high marks. He followed this quarter, and, in addition, dominated the rucks. The home side dogged the Port forwards, giving them little opportunity to open up the play.

Because of an injured shoulder Kellaway was unable to resume for Port after half-time. Allingham took his place at half-forward. Marking their men more closely than in the first quarter, Port checked many Glenelg thrusts.

Going forward with systematic football they added three goals while Glenelg could manage only three behinds. Ween's major brought them within a point of Glenelg, and a goal from N. Hender gave them the lead for the first time for the match.

Glenelg retaliated with a goal from Owens—a characteristic screw punt from the boundary. Then Link rushed into an unguarded goal and added another.

Port's aerial work had now improved. Gilbert in particular brought off some fine marks to turn Glenelg thrusts. Winkler sallied from his position at centre into the half-forward area and shot for goal. Carried by a strong wind the ball sailed through.

Another goal by Rosewarne gave Glenelg a good lead. But Port returned to the attack and Ween scored a point. The ball travelled quickly from end to end. The veteran Hale outpaced the opposition in a race to the goal, but he mis-kicked for a point.

PLAY WEAKENS

Too many players were on the ball at this stage. The standard of play deteriorated. Collyer followed a fine mark with full points.

Coleman (injured shoulder) left the ground his place being taken by McKinnon. Murphy went into the ruck for Glenelg. Port, whose game was steadily improving, made straight for goal from the first bounce for the final quarter. N. Hender called up two flags. In a desperate effort to hold Port, Glenelg crowded the play. The visitors were now superior in the air.

Eden started several Port thrusts. From a free Hooper called up two flags. But Glenelg took on a new lease of life and rushed a behind. This was followed quickly by a goal from Murphy.

Port made a determined effort in the last seven minutes. They kept the play in their territory practically all the time. Glenelg defenders battled gamely to check them. Handy, who was handicapped by an injured hand, went into the ruck. He stacked his defence, too. Port were now playing at their best for the match and overwhelmed Glenelg with repeated attacks. Logan and Allingham added goals. Soon after O'Regan scored another, Port gained steadily, but time was against them. They were attacking at the bell.

GLENELG	8-6	9-8	14-14	16-17
PORT	3-1	7-10	10-12	15-16

Goalkeepers.—Glenelg—Owens (8), Collyer (3), Gourlay, Rosewarne, Murphy, Winkler, Link. Port—N. Hender (6), O'Regan (3), Hooper (2), Whicker, Allingham, Ween, Logan.

Best Players.—Glenelg—Johnston, Collyer, Owens, Stott, Gourlay, Winkler, Link. Port—Eden, O'Regan, Gilbert, Dermody, Hooper, N. Hender, Mott.

Five Men Hurt at Glenelg

Five players were hurt in the game at Glenelg today. Coleman injured his shoulder, and Currow received a bad knock on the hip. Handy's left hand was badly injured in the first quarter, and he had to receive medical attention after the match.

Kellaway, who did not resume after half-time for Port, injured his left shoulder, and Ween hurt his left knee. Ween was attended by Dr. H. W. D. Stoddart.

Should Gourlay Play for South?

The secretary of the South Football Club (Mr. H. Jackson) has written to the league secretary (Mr. Marlow) challenging the qualifications of Gourlay to play for Glenelg.

Gourlay lives at Black Forest, and South officials think that he should don the blue-and-white guernsey. Glenelg officials, however, maintain that Gourlay is in their district.

Mr. Marlow has called a special meeting of the permit committee for Wednesday to discuss the matter.

The secretary of Glenelg (Mr. E. A. Rugless) stated tonight that the club has no doubt that Gourlay is qualified to play for Glenelg.

"He has a dairy at Clark avenue, Hayhurst, where he sleeps," said Mr. Rugless. "We do not deny that he has some of his meals at his people's residence in Gordon road, Black Forest, which is in the South district."

West Now Fourth; Only Change in Table

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for	ag.	Pts.	Pr.
North	12	10	2	—	1283	1004	20	
Norwood	12	8	4	—	1010	945	16	
Sturt	12	6	5	1	996	944	13	
West	12	6	6	—	972	957	12	
Port	12	6	6	—	1014	1061	12	
Glenelg	12	5	7	—	1159	1195	10	
Torrens	12	4	6	2	991	1025	10	
South	12	1	10	1	917	1211	3	

SOUTH LOSE TO WEST BY BAD SHOOTING

A FORWARD breakdown in the last quarter caused South's defeat by West at Wayville. Ten scoring shots in the last term brought only two goals, and three easy chances failed to add to the tally at all.

West ran on six goals with the wind behind them in the first term, and it was this spell of accuracy that allowed them to keep the lead.

WEST	6-8	7-9	16-15	11-15
SOUTH	1-3	5-5	7-8	9-16

Goalkeepers.—West—Whelan (6), Connell, Church, Bennett, Golding, A. Williams, South—Hebbard (3), Masters, Hall (each 2), Smoker, M. Baxler.

Best Players.—West—Snell, Jarvis, Golding, Ralph, Church, Connell. South—Rose, Mulcaby, Hebbard, Erry, Long, Hassett, Black.

Close-ups of League Footballers

GOURLAY was elusive in the forward lines for Glenelg. Another junior who was prominent was Collyer. He roved capably and played confidently when resting forward. Stott showed his ability as a wingman. He kicks accurately when on the run.

N. Hender demonstrated his ability to get goals by fine play against Glenelg. He marked well and kicked accurately. Logan was frequently in the picture in Port attacks, too.

ALTHOUGH closely watched by Gilbert, Owens played a great game for Glenelg. He got his eight goals by clever play. He had to get the ball for himself. He marked well, and was not afraid to go into the crushes.

PACE is one of the assets of the veteran Hale. He made some well-judged runs in his excellent game for Glenelg. Hale has had a long career in league football, and looks good for several seasons yet.

JOHNSTON was prominent with his characteristic high marks for Glenelg. Time and again he took the ball over the opposition to relieve a difficult situation. His strong game in the ruck today must give him a chance for inclusion in the State team.

Owens Overtakes Farmer; One Goal Ahead

Owens (Glenelg)	78
Farmer (North)	77
Waite (Torrens)	36
Morton (Sturt)	33
Bertram (Torrens)	27
Bottomley (West)	26
Hender, N. (Port)	25
McCallum, W. (Norwood)	24
Biddell (Norwood)	23
Williams, A. (West)	22
Ling (Glenelg)	21
Golding (West)	20