

Sturt Lead in League Football: Norwood, Torrens, West Win

BOTTOMLEY SHINES

VALUE OF GOALSNEAK DEMONSTRATED AT ADELAIDE

GLENELG FADING?

(By O. J. O'Grady)

WEST were too good for Glenelg at Adelaide today, and the difference that a good forward makes to a team was clearly shown by the effect Bottomley had on the game. This new forward got seven goals and hit a goalpost twice. West also owed much to Snell, who played a valuable game in the centre mud patch. Snell showed dash on the ground, and always got his kick. It was their strength in these two key positions that gave West the ascendancy.

GLENELG played well at times, and Owens kicked accurately to get six goals. Stokes did not give Owens much latitude, and the Glenelg goalsneak was closely beset throughout. Three of Owens goals came from free kicks, due to interference by Stokes.

Glenelg will now have to fight hard to retain a place in the leading four.

The conditions for the game were fair. The centre patch was treacherous, but the rest of the oval was fairly firm, though heavy.

The first term was fairly evenly contested, with West establishing a 15-point lead, which Glenelg reduced to six before the end of the term.

Glenelg's small men, led by Link and Griffiths, were doing good work, and Johnston marked well in the packs.

Snell was early into his stride at centre, although Winkler was doing good work for Glenelg.

As in the first term, West were first away after the change of ends. Bottomley was proving himself an asset in attack, and two goals from him gave West a useful lead. Bottomley had scored four of West's five goals. McInerney at half-forward was sending the ball in to him.

Winkler was hurt, and he went full forward, Murphy coming from half-back to the pivot. Percy was brought from attack to take over Murphy's place on the half-back line.

STOKES GIVES AWAY MARKS

Stokes was keeping Owens quiet, but when the Glenelg forward looked like marking the ball, Stokes interfered and Owens goaled from a free. A minute later the same thing happened, and Glenelg stocks rose.

A moment later Stokes and Olliver were spoken to by the goal umpire for coming to grips.

The West defence was rattled, and a further free to Thompson brought up Glenelg's fifth goal, and left the scores level at the interval.

Goals had been scored by Bottomley (4) and Connell for West, while Owens had got three for Glenelg, with Link and Thompson one each.

Prominent players for West were Bottomley, Snell, McInerney, Jarvis, and Stokes.

For Glenelg Johnston, L. Griffiths, and Hill were prominent, but Link, who had played well in the first term, was fading out. W. Griffiths had defended dashing in the second term.

When play was resumed Winkler did not take the field, Goldsworthy filling the vacancy.

West handled the new ball well, and began an offensive which paved the way to ultimate success. In the first half McInerney had been the avenue used by Snell to get the ball down to Bottomley.

Handby, after McInerney had scored a long drop kick goal, began to dominate the play in his vicinity, and Snell sent the ball forward through the medium of Hill and Webber, the half-forward flanks.

Golding sent West a further six points ahead, and then Bottomley got two quick goals. Glenelg fought back, and Goldsworthy and Owens goaled, but Webber's snap goal at the other end left West 17 points ahead at three-quarter time.

Johnston had faded from the picture, and Glenelg were beaten in the air. Apart from Handby, the Glenelg defence was not formidable.

The last term saw Glenelg threaten danger on two or three occasions, when two goals would have given them the lead, but West finished stronger and ran out easy winners at the finish.

Early in the term Bottomley got his seventh goal for West. A sustained Glenelg attack produced goals from Owens and Thompson, while Link's snap hit a goal post.

At the other end Webber just got his foot to the ball as it was bouncing through, and West were fairly safe.

Owens snapping a goal, his sixth, was Glenelg's dying effort, and West added 15 points to their score before the bell. Goals were scored by Simons and Golding, and Bottomley was again unlucky when his shot struck a goal post.

The acquisition of Bottomley and the form of Snell have made West a team to be reckoned with, but neither side appears to me to be likely to be serious contenders for the premiership. Each has a chance, however, of playing in the final round.

Umpire Whitford, despite a few obvious errors, gave a reasonable interpretation of the rules.

First Quarter	
WEST	3-4
GLENELG	2-4
Half-time	
WEST	5-5
GLENELG	5-5
Third Quarter	
WEST	10-6
GLENELG	7-7
Final	
WEST	14-10
GLENELG	10-10

Goalkeepers.—West—Bottomley (7), Webber, Golding (2), McInerney, Symonds, Connell. Glenelg—Owens (6), Thompson (2), Goldsworthy, Link.

Best Players.—West—McInerney, Bottomley, Snell, Hill, Golding, Connell. Glenelg—L. Griffiths, Hill, Johnson, Coleman, Handby Edwards.

Sturt Replace North

	P.	W.	L.	D.	for ag.	Points	Prem.
Sturt	8	6	1	1	659	557	13
North	8	6	2	—	824	709	12
Norwood	8	5	3	—	721	662	10
Glenelg	8	4	4	—	759	737	8
West	8	4	4	—	661	657	8
Port	8	3	5	—	650	754	6
Torrens	8	2	5	1	626	663	5
South	8	1	7	—	640	801	2

Attendances Increase: 25,162 at Matches

Attendances at the four matches this afternoon were:—

Adelaide	6,418
Norwood	9,000
Unley	4,100
Thebarton	5,644
Total	25,162

An increase of 1,500 over the corresponding day last season.

How the Games Finished

Norwood	19-13	North	15-11
Torrens	12-10	Port	12-9
West	14-10	Glenelg	10-10
Sturt	16-11	South	11-6

Who Kicked the Goals

Farmer (North)	9
W. McCallum (Norwood)	7
Bottomley (West)	7
Owens (Glenelg)	6

Farmer Seven Goals in Lead

Farmer (North)	59
Owens (Glenelg)	52
Morton (Sturt)	24
Bottomley (West)	21
Biddell (Norwood)	20
N. Hender (Port)	19
Waite (Torrens)	18
Gardiner (South)	17
Krome (Norwood)	16
Wundersitz (Sturt)	16
A. Williams (West)	15

Close-ups of League Footballers

JOHNSTON marked brilliantly for Glenelg in the first half of the game, but he faded from the picture thereafter. Edwards was useful to Glenelg in the ruck.

GLENELG's small men did well today. L. Griffiths (roving) and Hill (wing) were best, and Rosewarne was prominent. Link began well and finished well, but was rarely sighted in the second and third terms.

HANDBY played a solid game for Glenelg at centre half-back, but McInerney, his immediate opponent, was one of West's most effective players. Hill and Webber, playing on each side of McInerney, played well.

South Start Well: Sturt

Win by 35 Points

SOUTH surprised the dashing Sturt team in the first half of the match at Unley Oval. Showing remarkable accuracy in front of goals the visitors ran off at half-time a point in front. But Sturt's brilliant recovery in the third quarter gave them victory by 35 points.

The winners mulled many chances of scoring in the first quarter, but later showed astonishing improvement. At one stage they had 2-6 on the board. Then, getting into their stride, the forwards added 14-5.

Except in the early stages, the double-blues outclassed South in all departments. Although the standard of play was by no means brilliant, flashes of fine marking and dashing ground work, coupled with the even first half, made the game interesting.

STURT	3-6	6-8	12-8	16-11
SOUTH	3-0	7-3	8-6	11-6

Goalkeepers.—Sturt—Smith (5), Morton (3), Leak, Wundersitz (each 2), Bateman, Golding, Sawatzke, Willis. South—McCarthy, Munro, Murdy (each 2), Jaffer, Tully, Masters, Venning, Dayman.

Best Players.—Sturt—Smith, Dunn, Leak, Fisher, Morton, Sims, Wadham. South—Hassett, Barker, Jaffer, Tully, Murdy, Errey, Masters.

Point After Final Bell Wins Game for Torrens

WITH a shot after the final bell, Torrens snatched victory by a point from Port. A feature of the game was the thrilling finish, fortunes fluctuating as each side scored what appeared to be the winning shot.

TORRENS	2-2	3-5	7-7	12-10
PORT	4-2	5-5	8-8	12-9

Goalkeepers.—Torrens—Waite (4), Snook, Drury, Bertram (2), Bridgman, McKenzie. Port—Johnson (4), N. Hender, O'Regan, West (2), Dermody, Hooper.

Best Players.—Torrens—Williamson, Quinn, Bertram, Frogley, Drury, Waite, McGuinness. Port—Dermody, A. Hender, Mucklow, Kellaway, Ween, Hooper, O'Regan.

Simons Flies High During West-Glenelg Game



AN INCIDENT IN THE MATCH between Glenelg and West on Adelaide Oval this afternoon. Roy Edwards (Glenelg) and Webber (West) are anxiously watching Simons (West) as he leaps for the ball. The player on the right is Griffiths (Glenelg).

Norwood Succeed Today by Opening Up Play

NORWOOD defeated North at Norwood Oval today by opening up the play. For the first time this season, too, they had a goalsneak who could get the ball for himself and kick goals when he got possession. The redlegs also were markedly superior in the centre.

Conditions were almost ideal. The ground was generally firm but soft. The wind gave neither team much advantage, and the ball was easy to handle. Umpire A. A. Raven made an attractive exhibition possible by a consistent interpretation of the rules.

The game was outstanding from the spectators' point of view. There was little scrambling. The redlegs particularly gave dashing bursts of football at its best.

At one end Farmer, apart from two bad mis-kicks, provided a great exhibition of goal-kicking, while at the other end W. McCallum thrilled the crowd for three quarters with play almost up to the standard of Farmer. The North goalsneak was too good for Johns.

NORWOOD	3-3	10-6	16-10	19-13
NORTH	4-3	7-5	11-11	15-11

Best Players.—Norwood—Krome, W. McCallum, Biddell, E. G. Johnson, Page, Heffernan. North—Furler, Burton, Farmer, Mangelsdorf, Storer, Munn, Walter.

Goalkeepers.—Norwood—W. McCallum (7), Krome (5), Biddell, E. A. Johnson, Heffernan (each 2), Hall. North—Farmer (9), Munn and Proud (each 2), Furler, Storer.